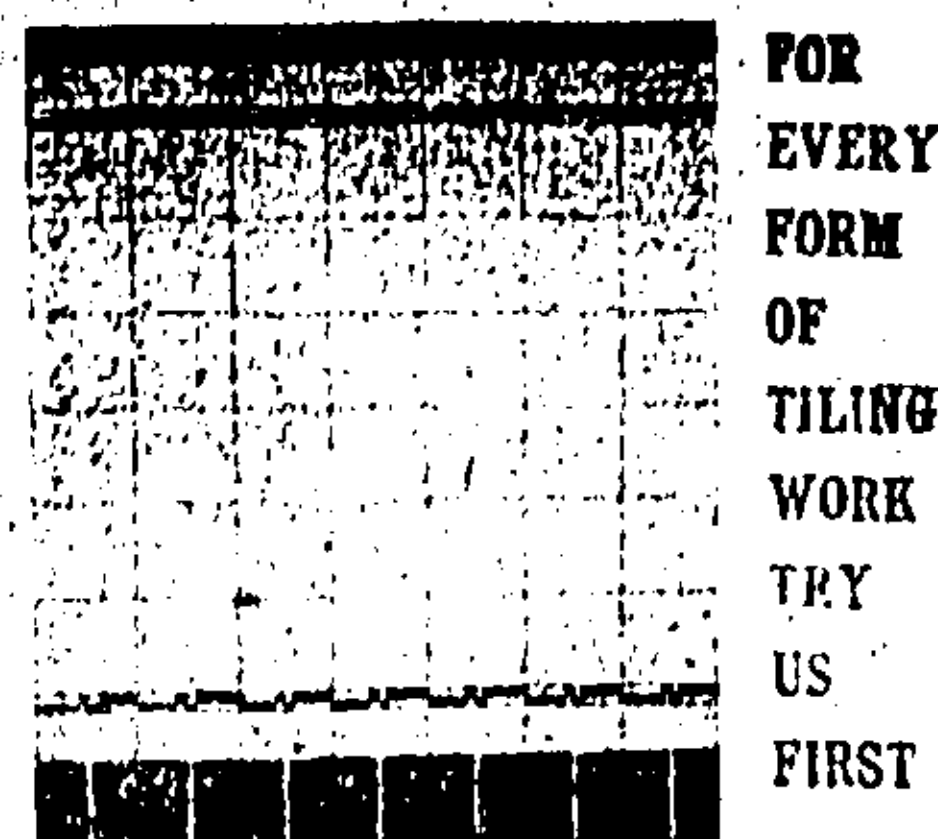




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MURDER GANG EVADING POLICE SEARCH.

FIFTEEN RAIDING PARTIES OUT.

THREE MEN PRESENT AT SHOOTING.

WELL-LAID PLOT.

Special investigations disclose that there were probably three men actively connected with the murder of the Cantonese detective who was shot down in Jubilee Street yesterday morning, and who later succumbed to his wounds.

There is also little doubt that he was the victim of Communists, to whom he was a constant threat.

The Police have made every possible effort to apprehend the murderers. No fewer than fifteen different raiding parties were busy yesterday afternoon and through the night, and sweeping down on numerous well-known Communist haunts, a large number of possible suspects were detained.

It is feared, however, that it will be impossible to connect any of them with the crime.

Only 24 Years of Age.

Yau Tak-yan, a young man of only 24 years of age, was attached to the Bureau of Public Safety, at Canton, by which he was greatly valued on account of the special knowledge he possessed of the inner organisation of the Kwangtung Communist Party and its ramifications.

On the trail of some noted Communists whom he had followed to Hongkong, he recently took up quarters at Yau-mat, and it was almost a daily custom of his at the hour at which he was shot down, to cross over to Hongkong in order to keep in contact with local Police officers at Headquarters.

For that reason, his movements probably were well-known to local Communists, the designs they had on his life being well-set and the spot for the commission of the outrage chosen beforehand.

Shot at Close Range.

The victim, after travelling by ferry from Yau-mat, had just crossed the Praya, and was at a distance of about 200 feet from the Ferry when he was shot down.

Near the junction of Jubilee Street, three men were seen to surround the detective, whose European suit of a greenish tint marked him out from the crowd hurrying along the waterfront at this busy time of the day.

Two reports were heard and the three men scattered.

One of them, who is believed to have fired the fatal shots at point-blank range, was scarcely more than a youth. Not more than twenty years of age is one description applied. He was of medium height and build, and dressed in a dark blue native suit and, peculiarly enough, was wearing a hair-net. He fled up the short distance of Jubilee Street and disappeared in the crowd thronging Des Voeux Road.

Plucky Effort.

The detective sank to the ground. He blew two blasts on a whistle which he snatched from his pocket, and with the other hand he pointed to his body, indicating to an Indian soldier in civilian clothes, the first to come to his assistance, where he had been hit.

The shooting was carried out almost unobserved. The Praya verandah of the new Government Building, which contains the offices of the Imports and Exports Department, the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, and the offices of the large body of watchmen and searchers employed on waterfront duty.

Inspector Taken Charge.

Inspector Andrew in charge of the waterfront force, who, looking from a window, it is stated, had a glimpse of the man in the dark suit before he disappeared around the angle of the building, took charge of the case at the outset.

He came down into the street and found the wounded detective, inarticulate and almost unconscious.

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GREAT FIRE BURNS AFTER FIFTY HOURS.

SNOW HAMPERING FIREMEN.

LONDON ICE BELT

London, Mar. 9. Over fifty hours after the outbreak of the great fire which has practically destroyed the huge seven-storied tea and rubber warehouse at Butler's Wharf, near the Tower Bridge, firemen are still fighting the flames.

The blaze goes on, raging furiously, and only the most remarkable efforts by the massed fire-fighting organisation of this part of London, under serious handicaps, has prevented the fire from spreading.

To-day, although the walls were sheathed with ice, volumes of smoke from burning rubber were pouring from the roof, and occasionally great spurts of flame would shoot up.

Bitterly cold weather has been the greatest hampering factor. Many of the firemen have been suffering from exposure accentuated by fatigue after strenuous efforts. Those engaged in the warehouse are wearing gas-masks. There is no further danger of its spread. The entire front of the building, facing the river, is coated with ice, and icebergs hang from the hoses and the fire-fighting tackle.

The fire brigades were further handicapped in their work to-day by the heaviest snowstorm experienced in London for many years.

The Snowstorm.

London in fact suffered its coldest March day for decades. The streets were under snow from an early hour in the morning and by noon were buried to a depth of some several inches.

Traffic, in consequence, was slowed down and traffic noises were silenced.

Many accidents were caused by vehicles skidding and some roads on the outskirts of London, including two main roads to the south were rendered impassable.

Traffic was held up owing to ice and snow in the Midlands and the North of England, where, in some places, there were six feet drifts. Snow ploughs had to be used to clear the streets in certain East Coast towns.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

It is estimated that damage to the extent of £250,000 has been done at Butler's Wharf. The Fire Brigade was this morning (10th) still playing on the smouldering debris.—*Reuter.*

THE ANGLO-SOVIET DEBT ISSUE.

VERY SLOW PROGRESS WITH NEGOTIATIONS.

London, Mar. 9. In the House of Commons to-day, several questions were put as to the progress of the Anglo-Soviet Debts and Claims Committee.

Mr. Dalton said the main committee had met eleven times. Two Sub-Committees had held meetings, but had not yet reported, while the four other Sub-Committees had not yet met.—*British Wireless.*

GERMAN RELATIONS WITH SOVIET.

ECONOMIC AGREEMENT CONCLUDED.

Moscow, Mar. 9. German-Soviet relations are likely to be strengthened as a result of the conclusion of an Economic Agreement between the Chairman of the Soviet Supreme Council and a delegation of German industrialists visiting Moscow.—*Reuter.*

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone, which has weakened further, is central near Shanghai. A depression has formed to the east of the Loochoos. Local forecast:—Northerly winds, moderate; generally overcast, foggy, possibly clearing temporarily.

STABBING AFFRAY SEQUEL.

FILIPINO CHARGED WITH MURDER.

BRAWL IN SHANGHAI IN SEPTEMBER.

AMERICAN'S DEATH.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Mar. 10.

Ramon Tobias, a Filipino musician, who was arrested by the American authorities in Shanghai in September last year in connexion with the death by stabbing of William Garcia, an American citizen, in a brawl at the corner of North Szechuan Road, appeared before Judge Purdy, in the American Court, to-day, for formal arraignment.

He is charged with murder. Two other men were arrested by the police at the same time, and although no charges have been preferred, they have been held in Shanghai as witnesses in the case.

Stabbed Three Times.

The killing took place a few minutes after the Night Club cabaret had closed at 4 o'clock on Sunday morning, September 28.

Garcia, who was in Shanghai as a mechanic to the showmen at the New World amusement resort at the corner of Thibet and Nanking Roads, accompanied by Jean "Tex" La Franke, trick motorcycle performer at the New World, had just left the Tumble Inn, a small establishment near the Night Club cabaret, and were on their way to La Franke's rooms. On the street outside the establishment, the two men encountered a crowd of six Filipinos. Then, according to Tobias' statement to the police, Garcia walked into him as he was passing and called him a bad name. After the epithet had been repeated several times, Garcia struck him, said Tobias, and in order to defend himself he drew his knife and struck back at Garcia. By this time the other members of the crowd were also fighting, but when Garcia fell to the ground, the six men took to their heels.

La Franke then summoned the police officers, who found that Garcia had been stabbed three times. He was rushed to the General Hospital, but died a few minutes after being entered.

Deceased Identified.

United States District Attorney George C. Sellet and Marshal Thurston K. Porter were notified and summoned to the hospital, where the deceased was identified by La Franke and Mrs. Mabel Dowd, Secretary of the E. K. Fernandez Society of Honolulu, Garcia's employers.

Tobias was arrested in his lodging house on Range Road about 8 o'clock the same evening as he was engaging in a telephone conversation with a friend who had ostensibly called up to warn the young man that the detectives were on his trail. Sergeant Stocks happened to enter the room during the conversation and made the arrest as soon as Tobias hung up the receiver. The arrested man stoutly maintained his innocence for some time after being taken into custody, but after an hour or more of questioning he made a statement in connexion with the crime.

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SEVEN KILLED IN LANDSLIDE.

WORKERS BURIED ALIVE AT SHEKLAIPUI.

DEATH IN HOSPITAL.

Seven male coolies were killed and another seriously injured in the landslide which occurred yesterday at Sheklapui, in the vicinity of the Shing Mun Valley, where the work of damming the river in connexion with the waterworks scheme is being carried out.

At about quarter past twelve yesterday, a large quantity of earth became dislodged from a cutting in the new bywash which is being constructed and eight workmen were buried under the debris. Rescue work was immediately commenced by the workmen on the scene, while the Kowloon Fire Brigade were also summoned.

Three men, who were unearthed, were found to be dead and their bodies were taken to the Kowloon Mortuary, while two others, who were injured, were rushed to hospital. One of these later succumbed to his injuries, while the other is still in a serious condition.

Chiu Nam, aged 16, was one of the two men who were rushed to hospital, but he only lived for three hours. The other, Leung Kum, 25, is still critical. The six men who were extricated dead were Leung Hing (43), Cheung Leung (32), Cheung Keung (31), Wong Lee (40), Au Ching (28) and Mak Fu (17). All resided at the Koon Yik matshed.

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BRITAIN ACCEPTS GENERAL ARBITRATION ACT.

PRESENT FOREIGN POLICY AIM.

IMPORTANCE OF COMING CONFERENCE.

GIVING THE LEAD.

London, Mar. 9.

An important step towards the strengthening of the machinery of international disputes was taken to-night, in the House of Commons, which approved Britain's accession to the General Act, subject to the four conditions outlined in the recent Foreign Office memorandum.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, moving the adherence of the British Empire, except those parts which are separately represented in the membership of the League, to the General Act, as elaborated by the League of Nations Assembly, said that it provides that disputes which cannot be settled by ordinary legal methods shall be submitted to a special tribunal of five members, one chosen from each disputant, and three by agreement from among the nationals of a third Power.

Binding Decisions.

If no agreement is reached by this special tribunal, the dispute then goes to an Arbitral Tribunal of five members, chosen in similar manner. The latter's decision would be binding on both parties to the dispute.

Mr. Henderson declared that the British Empire's adherence was a logical consequence of the Pact of Paris and a logical complement of the Optional Clause.

The adherence of the United Kingdom would complete the country's acceptance of arbitration for international disputes of every class, subject to certain reservations.

Preparing For Conference.

The Government, he said, regarded ratification as an important act of preparation which they could make for the success of the coming World Disarmament Conference, which they believed would, by its results, determine the future course of events in Europe and the world.

Success would assure the future of constructive international co-operation. Failure would have extremely grave consequences.

Therefore, the Government had to put preparations for it in the forefront of foreign policy.

Powerful Lead.

Although not the first country to adhere to the General Act, Britain would be giving a powerful lead to nations, as in the case of the Optional Clause. Before Britain signed the Optional Clause, only seventeen Governments were bound by it. To-day there were thirty-four so bound.

He pointed out that the United Kingdom would not stand alone for the Imperial Conference had approved the principle of the General Act after careful consideration.

Referring to an amendment moved later by Sir Austen Chamberlain, Mr. Henderson said he recognised fully the value of the action of the League Council and regarded the Council's action in the Mosul dispute and the Greco-Bulgarian dispute as classic instances of the strength of the machinery which the League convention provided, but he could not agree that acceptance of the General Act would diminish the authority of the Council.

Conservative Congratulations.

On rising to move the Conservative amendment, Sir Austen Chamberlain congratulated the Foreign Secretary and paid a tribute to Signors Mussolini and Grandi and M. Briand on the success of the recent naval conversations.

Turning to the issue before the House, he observed that the United States, the author of the Pact of Paris, did not share the view that it needed other measures to give it force. He maintained that the

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TORY INDIA RECOIL.

NO CO-OPERATION IN FUTURE.

SURPRISE MOVE.

London, Mar. 9.

The very surprising, but vitally important, decision has been reached by Mr. Stanley Baldwin that the Conservative Party will not be represented at the contemplated sittings of the Round Table Conference in India.

That such a decision had been taken was only made known to-night on the termination of a meeting of the India Committee of the Party at the House of Commons.

An official report issued at the close said that the Irwin-Gandhi settlement had been considered in all its details by the Committee, after which the members recorded their welcome of Mr. Baldwin's decision not to co-operate in the further conferences.

The subsequent explanation was that the sensational decision was taken last week, before the termination of the Irwin-Gandhi conversations, and after a deputation of the Committee had submitted its views to Mr. Baldwin.

To-night's resolution, therefore, was only a formal acknowledgment.

The announcement has taken Parliamentary circles completely by surprise, particularly after the satisfactory outcome of Conservative association with the London conference.

The Secretary for India, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, replying to several questions in the House of Commons as to the Government's plans for carrying on the work of the Round Table Conference, said it was hoped to make a statement on the subject very shortly.

A debate on India is taking place on Thursday.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

MENSHEVIK TRIAL SENTENCES.

COURT TAKES 25 HOURS TO REACH DECISION.

Moscow, Mar. 9.

After deliberating for twenty-five hours, the Supreme Court trying fourteen members of the "All-Union Bureau of the Central Committees of Mensheviks," passed sentence of ten years' imprisonment on seven of their number, Groman, Scher, Sukhanov, Ginsburg, Jakovich, Petunin and Finnyaslovsky.

They had pleaded guilty to charges of plotting to overthrow the Soviet State and to establish a capitalist regime with foreign help.

Lesser sentences were passed on their colleagues, though the lowest was five years. The highest was eight years' imprisonment.

The accused all promised to devote the rest of their lives to faithful service to the Soviet if given a chance.—*Reuter.*

COMMUNISM CHARGES DROPPED.

PROFESSOR HUNG'S COURT NOTICE.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Mar. 10. The charges of Communism against Professor Hung Sung have been dropped.

He has received from the Court a notice formally notifying him that no charges would be preferred and no evidence would be taken against him.

TRADE DISPUTES MEASURE.

NO FURTHER ACTION FOR THE PRESENT.

London, Mar. 9.

In the House of Commons, the Prime Minister said he did not at present propose to introduce any further proposals relating to the repeal or amendment of the Trade Disputes Act of 1927.—*British Wireless.*

SKOPLIE'S OMINOUS SILENCE.

THE EARTHQUAKE CATASTROPHE.

BOILING GEYSERS ADD TO TERRORS.

REVELLERS PANIC.

Belgrade, Mar. 9.

Underground rumblings, rolling like thunder, the awesome crash of landslides, the toppling of buildings, and the spouting of great geysers of boiling water were among the terrifying features of the earthquake disaster in Jugoslavia, where, it is feared, the toll of life has been extremely heavy.

The full extent of the catastrophe is impossible for the time being to assess. Great devastation has occurred in many small towns and villages, but anxiety is increasing in the absence of any news whatsoever from Uskub, the biggest town in the stricken area.

Every effort has been made to get into touch with the city, which has a population in excess of 40,000, and the silence is regarded as ominous, particularly as the worst of the shocks occurred in the early hours of the morning when the vast majority of people were asleep in their beds.

Strumitza Panic.

A graphic story comes from a survivor of the disaster at Strumitza where practically the whole town has been destroyed.

The first severe shock in the city was felt at 2.55 a.m. when many people were finishing their morning-making in the cafes.

Suddenly the lights flared and the ceilings began to fall and buildings to topple over. The guests who were immediately sobered by the terror of the affair, rushed into the blackness of the rainy night, and lay huddled in the fields till dawn.

One of the most remarkable incidents of the quake was the disappearance of the noted mineral springs at Strumitza. They dried up suddenly, and reappeared ten miles away, spouting up into the air as geysers in great cracks in the earth near Valandov.

There is still no telephone communication possible with Skopje (Uskub) and consequently it is impossible to ascertain details of the catastrophe there. Anxiety is growing hourly.

Serious Distress.

A message from Budapest says that cold and hunger is increasing the sufferings of the stricken people in the earthquake region. It is confirmed that a number of houses collapsed in Salenka, and many villages in South-eastern Jugoslavia have been almost completely destroyed. Those close to the Greek frontier have been the worst sufferers, though curiously enough there are no reports of an extensive damage in Greece itself.

A number of railway stations have been wrecked, and with the lines damaged, traffic has been brought to a standstill.

Assistance Refused.

The Jugo-Slavian Government has officially announced that it intends to meet all expenditure arising from the earthquake. Consequently, subscriptions will not be raised, nor will contributions be accepted from abroad.

The whole of the Balkans appears to have felt the quakes to a greater or lesser extent, but there is no doubt that the southern part of Jugoslavia was the centre of the upheaval.

It is feared that at least 150 people perished in the region bordering on the Bulgaro-Greek frontiers. Some reports declare that 300 were killed. It seems certain that 500 have been injured, while it is estimated that a thousand houses collapsed in the frontier district. Alexander, son of the King, Alexander, accompanied by the Prime Minister, is visiting the earthquake-stricken region.

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**KOWLOON CIVIC
MATTERS.**
QUIET SERVICE BY THE
COMMITTEE.
ANNUAL MEETING.

In a thoughtful and extremely
interesting speech, the Rev. J.
Horace Johnston, the President of
the Kowloon Residents' Association,
spoke of the splendid accom-
plishments of the Association
when presiding at the annual
meeting of the K.R.A. in the St.
Andrew's Church Hall yesterday.
Supporting the Rev. Mr. John-
ston were Mr. Mow Fung (Vice-
President), Mr. C. Terry (Hon.
Secretary) and Mr. Ezra Abraham
(Hon. Treasurer).

In addressing the meeting, the
chairman said:
This time last year, when enter-
ing on the Presidency of this As-
sociation, I called to mind the
ancient proverb, which says, "Let
not him that girdeth on his armour
boast as he which putteth it off."
Now that the moment has arrived
for laying down the office, what shall
we say of the year's campaign?
So far as my own personal contri-
bution is concerned, it has been in-
finitesimal, but speaking on behalf
of the whole committee, I make
bold to say that we have put into
your hands a Report which will
bear inspection, may be received by
you with genuine satisfaction and
shown to those outside the Associa-
tion with justifiable pride.

The Committee of the K.R.A.
handle their task now so quietly
and unobtrusively that the bulk-
iness of the Report may come as a
surprise to many. The work is
carried out with a quietness that is
the mark of conscious strength and
with a sureness of touch which is
the outcome of matured experience.
As one of the Institutions of the
Colony, the K.R.A. has steadily
risen to a position of considerable
influence, and I take this oppor-
tunity to call renewed attention to
the fact that the weight of the As-
sociation's influence cannot be at-
tributed to the numerical strength
of its membership. The secret of
the Association's power lies rather
in the willingness among men, of
standing and ability, representing
all sections of the community, to
dedicate their time and talents to
the service of the public, and in the
soundness of the principles which
guide their activities. It has been
observed, not without truth, that
the very efficiency of the Committee
deters some from seeking the privi-
lege of a vote in their election.
Such a reflection affords little com-
fort to those elected who would
sincerely appreciate the moral sup-
port and encouragement of the
great body of Kowloon residents.

No Lack of Men.

In any case it is our hope that
there may never be a lack of worthy
men to stand for election year by
year and that the same fearless but
prudent and courteous policy may
ever prevail. May it continue to be
the aim of the Committee to view
local questions with the best lo-
cal knowledge and keenest local in-
terest but, at the same time, in the
broadest light, as they stand re-
lated to the interests of the Colony
in general: to anticipate the re-
quirements of Kowloon, if possible,
and advocate the need before hand
rather than raise a belated outcry
when trouble arises: to take it as
an axiom that Public Utility Com-
panies are desirous of accommodat-
ing their services, whatever it may
be, to the reasonable demands of
their public, and to co-operate with
them to that end in a friendly
spirit: similarly, in approaching
the Government, to assume that
help will be forthcoming where need
can be proved to be urgent: to pro-
vide a constructive suggestion in
cases of difficulty, rather than a
barren protest or complaint: to
avoid all rash and ill-considered
comments and criticisms and keep
strictly to those which can be clear-
ly defined and substantiated, and,

while exercising such prudence, to
shirk no problem however delicate
or disagreeable: to give due con-
sideration to every matter that is
brought before them and return a
courteous answer to every com-
plainant: to count no matter too
small to handle because only a few
persons are concerned, if some dis-
tinct principle is involved, and to
count no matter too large because
the whole Colony is concerned,
where there is a distinct obligation
to speak on behalf of that portion
of the Colony which they represent.

The Report for 1930, having been
in your hands for several days, will
be taken as read. Allusion is there-
made at the outset to the fact that
it was through the initiative of this
Committee that Kowloon was en-
abled to give a welcome all her own
to the new Governor on the occasion
of His Excellency's first visit to
the Peninsula. As we were by
far the most representative body in
Kowloon, it was incumbent upon
us to take a leading part, and I
counted it a high privilege, as your
President, to voice the sentiments
of the whole community. The pre-
cedent set on that occasion will, we
hope, be followed in time to come.
We would express our regret
that straitened finance prevents
the Government from offering to
subsidize another series of Public
Band Concerts this Summer. But,
in these days of stringent economy
we count it peculiarly gratifying
that the Government has judged it
right to proceed with the work on
the Star Ferry approach which we
have advocated for so long.

The opening of the Children's
Playground in Middle Road will,
the present need, but I cannot re-
frain from expressing my own keen
disappointment that there is so
little shelter provided against wind
and sun, and my hope that some
kind of pergola and sheltered seats
may be erected, if the planting of
trees is impracticable.

The "Insalutary Salutes."

As one who has resided for more
than seven years in the neighbour-
hood of Signal Hill, I am glad of
this public opportunity to testify
to the immense relief we have ex-
perienced since the cessation of
those nerve-shattering explosions—
from which we used to suffer. I
am sure that I express the feeling
of many when I say that we most
cordially thank the Government for
the prompt and effective way in
which the nuisance was dealt with.
And this leads me to remark that
the words of thanks with which the
Report concludes are not to be
taken as a merely formal addition.
They are sincerely meant and we
wish them endorsed by this meet-
ing.

A very considerable portion of
this volume is devoted to Appendix
A. It will readily be understood
that the assembling of so many
facts and figures entailed heavy
work on some members of Com-
mittee, whose names do not appear.
The words of the Hon. Mr. J. Owen
Hughes, spoken in Council, are
worthy of note:

"Unofficial Members and the rest
of the Colony owe a debt of grati-
tude to the Committee of the As-
sociation for their appeal to Gov-
ernment."

Now this report has been in
your hands for the past few days,
and I trust it has been read with
no little interest. I will now move
the adoption of the report, but
before doing so I should like to
take this opportunity of express-
ing my regret that this is the last
meeting I shall attend as a mem-
ber of this Association. I have
counted it a very great privilege
to work with the committee of the
K.R.A., and more particularly to
preside over its gatherings. We
met last year in a really delight-
ful atmosphere of perfect under-
standing and everything went for-
ward smoothly and harmoniously.
I express my personal regret at
leaving the Colony, and that I
shall not be able to continue my
connection with the work. I for-
mally move the adoption of the
report and balance sheet.

Mr. C. Manners seconded and
the report and accounts were
passed unanimously.

The New President.

The Chairman then proposed
the election of Mr. Mow Fung as

President of the Association for
the ensuing year, in the course
of which he said that that gentle-
man which he qualified for such
a position. He was a man who
could give a fluent speech, a man
of practical wisdom and a man
able to take the chair effectively.
He well remembered one occasion
when he was very impressed with
the dignity and efficiency with
which Mr. Mow Fung carried out
his duties as chairman. He re-
presented one section of the com-
munity whom it was their desire
always to remember in their do-
liberations. It was a large and
important section.

Mr. B. Wylie, in seconding the
proposition, said they had listen-
ed with great attention to what
the Chairman had said about Mr.
Mow Fung, and he thought he
must fairly state that never be-
fore had they had a Chinese
gentleman as Chairman of the
Association, and it was not to be
taken as a mere gesture. The
chairman had referred to Mr.
Mow Fung as an able speaker,
and he thought his ability to con-
duct a meeting, and his cautious
reasoning, were some of the best
reasons why they wished to make
him President for the coming
year.

The motion was unanimously
endorsed, and in reply Mr. Mow
Fung said that for a resident of
Kowloon to be a member of the As-
sociation was a duty, to be elected
to the committee was a privilege;
but to be appointed as President
was a great honour. He thanked
the speakers for their references
to himself and his small abilities,
and he could assure them he ap-
preciated the honour which they
had done him. At the same time
he was deeply sensible of the im-
portance of the responsibilities
attached to the office, and the dif-
ficulties which lay before him. He
would try to follow the footsteps
of his many worthy predecessors,
and he was encouraged by the
energetic efforts of the committee,
whose deliberations, unselfish dis-
criminations and harmony, made
the work of the President easy
and pleasant.

A Sound Policy.

The sound definite policy which
had directed all the activities in
the past—the policy described by
the chairman in his speech—
summed up in a few words was,
the pursuit of cordial co-operation
in constructive reform in efforts
to protect and advance the in-
terests of Kowloon residents. It
was natural for them to have
criticism, and complaints were
necessary, but such criticism was
absolutely free of cavil and
animosity. When any complaint
was received it was always, as
the chairman had stated, consid-
ered with courtesy and no com-
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the committee was ready with its
assistance and reasonable sug-
gestions, whereby such complaint
might be remedied or removed.
The committee was careful to con-
fine a subject or question to these
of a public character, and strict-
ly tabooed any items which
savoured of personal grievances.
Such was the policy of the As-
sociation in the past, and upon
which they might proudly claim
they had earned the general ap-
probation and respect which it at
present enjoyed.

Other Officers.

The new President then pro-
posed the name of Capt. C. B.
Riggs as Vice-President of the
Association, and referred to his
keenness, energy and capable work
on the committee. Mr. F. H.
Crapnell seconded, and the motion
was unanimously carried.

Mr. C. Terry proposed the elec-
tion of Mr. W. J. Brown to the
position of Hon. Treasurer, and
at the same time paid a tribute to
the sterling work of the retiring
treasurer, Mr. Ezra Abraham, for
which he had been responsible
during the past two years. Mr.
Abraham seconded the resolution,
which was carried without discus-
sion.

Mr. C. Terry was re-elected to
the position of Hon. Secretary, on
the motion of Capt. C. B. Riggs,
seconded by Mr. Dobbie.

The following General Com-
mittee was appointed—Messrs. E.
Cock, B. W. Tape, B. Wylie, F. W.
(Continued on Page 11.)

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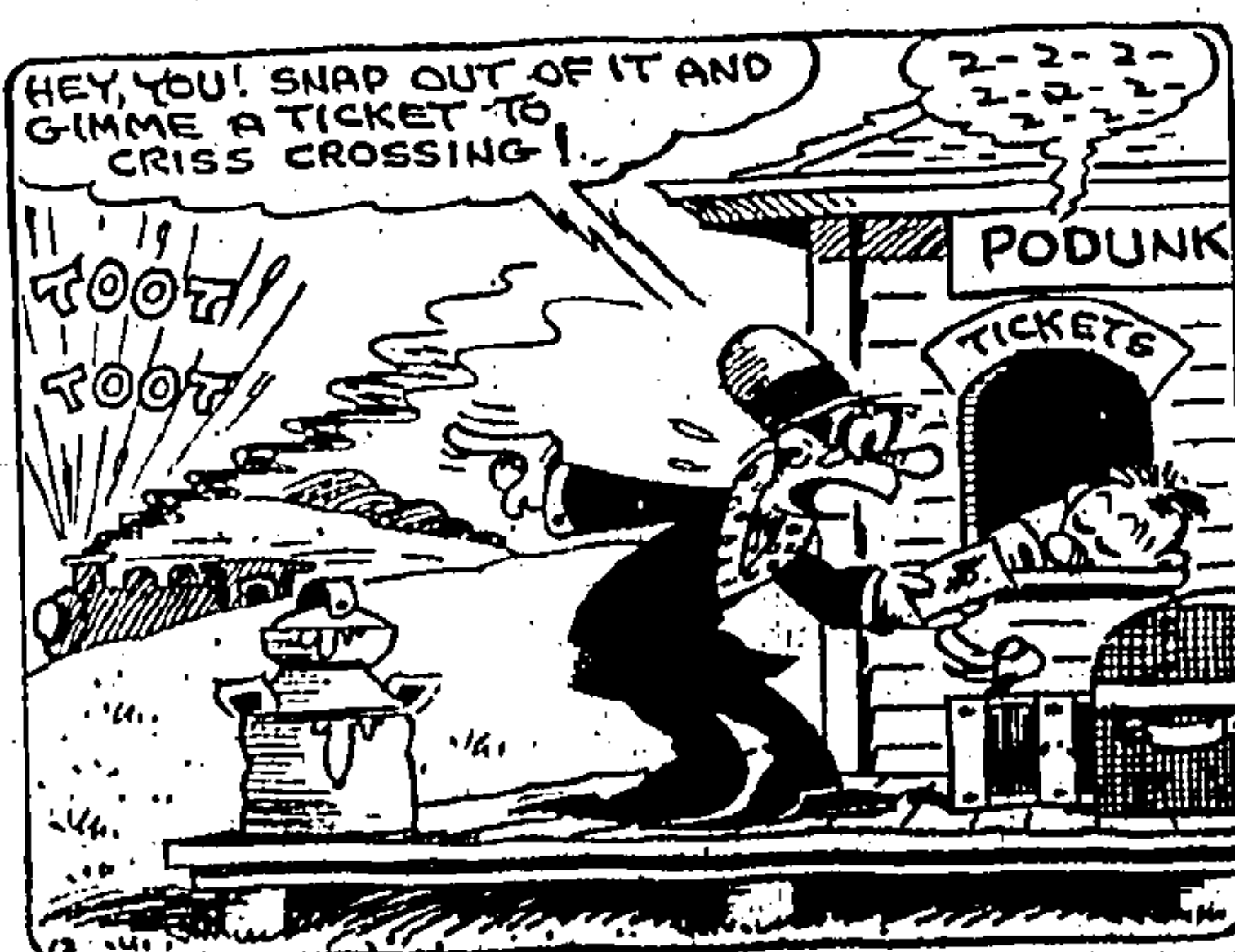
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Lung trouble

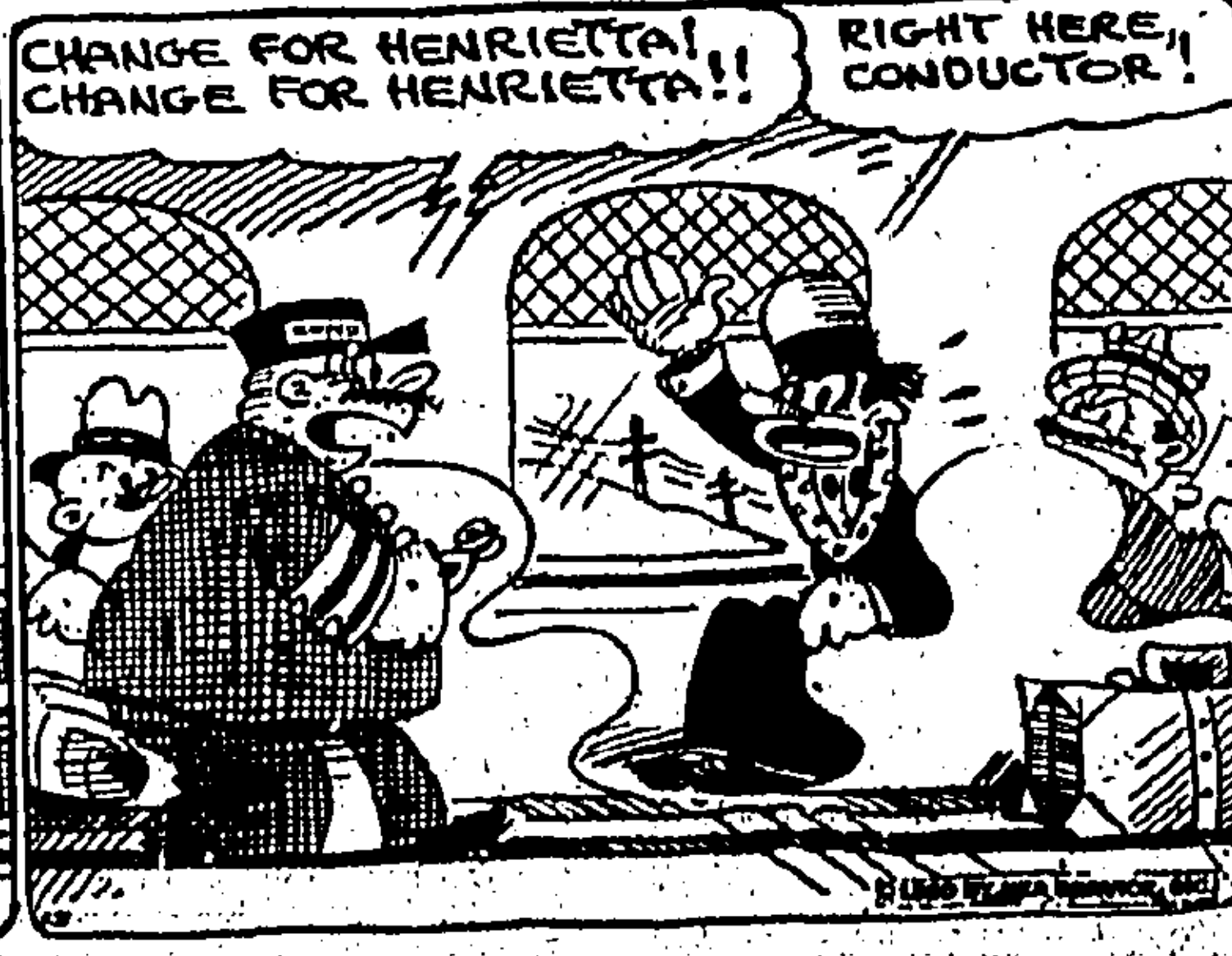
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Professor Albert Einstein in one of the moments when he forgets relativity. It was taken at San Diego during a quiet interval on his American travels.



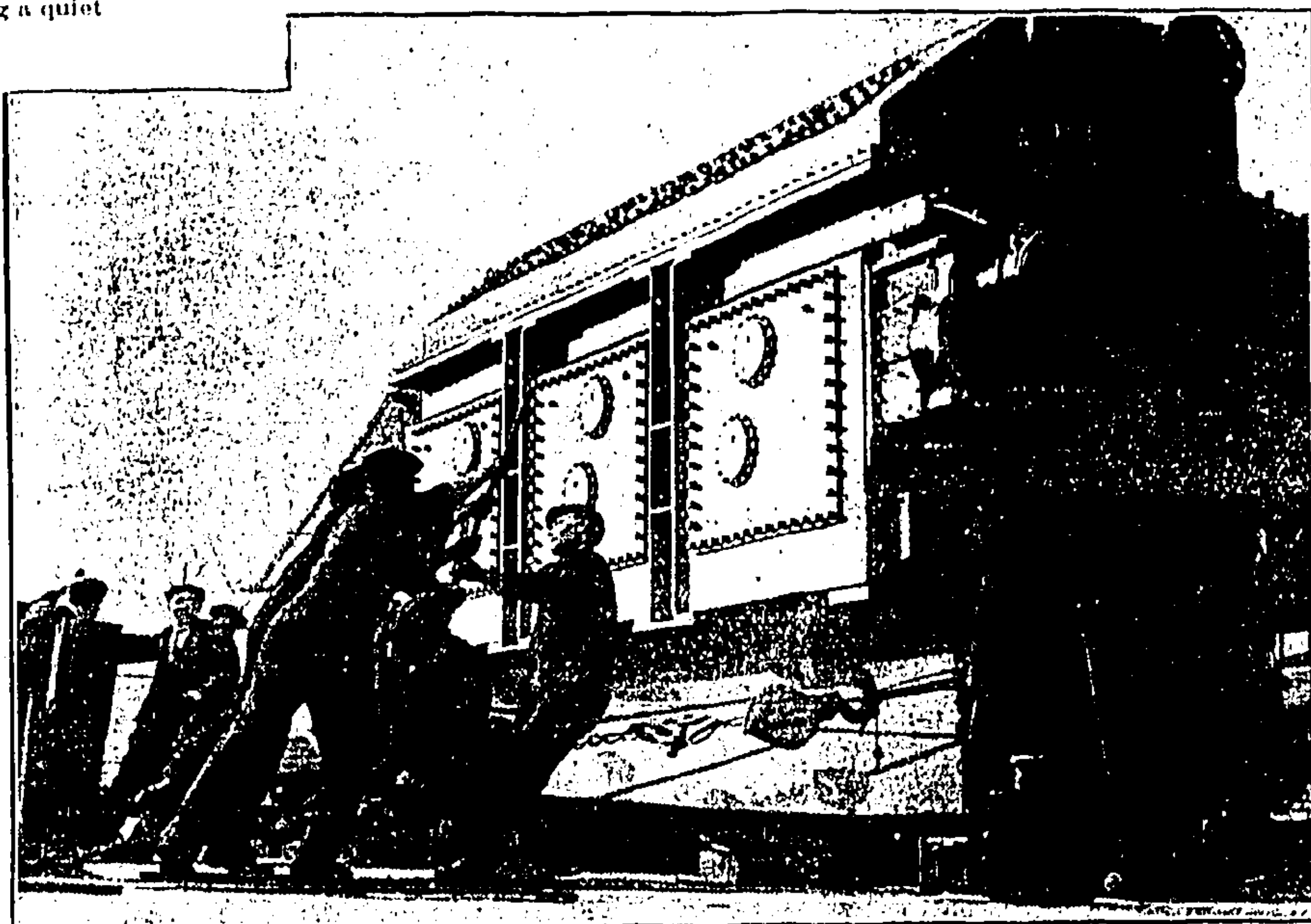
A striking photo of the spectacular fire which destroyed the main building of the Polish National Alliance College at Cambridge, Pennsylvania, recently. Among the historic documents destroyed was a collection of letters exchanged between George Washington and distinguished Poles during the American Revolution.



The Chinese younger set in Shanghai led by Miss Chen Po-shan, above, the daughter of General Chen Tsien.



Miss Kathleen Wilder, charming daughter of popular Shanghai residents, who celebrated her 21st birthday recently.



The moving of this power transformer, weighing 93 tons, from a siding at Deptford to the Deptford Power Station attracted much attention. Our photograph shows the transformer being moved into position. (Times copyright.)



Serving on the Committee of the Shanghai Stock Exchange in 1931, our photos show, left to right, Mr. E. G. Clarke, Mr. S. David and Mr. F. G. Harrison.



The million dollar debutante, Miss Helen Doherty, named after the lavish Washington coming-out party.



Hypodermic bullets are being employed to put deer to sleep temporarily in Michigan preparatory to their transportation to better forage regions. The inventor with his peculiar bullets is shown above.



Mr. George Wickersham, the chairman of the Commission whose Report on Prohibition enforcement in America has intensified the Wet-Dry controversy by its paradoxes. He is 72 years of age.



Mr. Yu Kung-ngo, of the Sin Wan Pao, who is publishing a book of poems.

For Bed and Bathroom



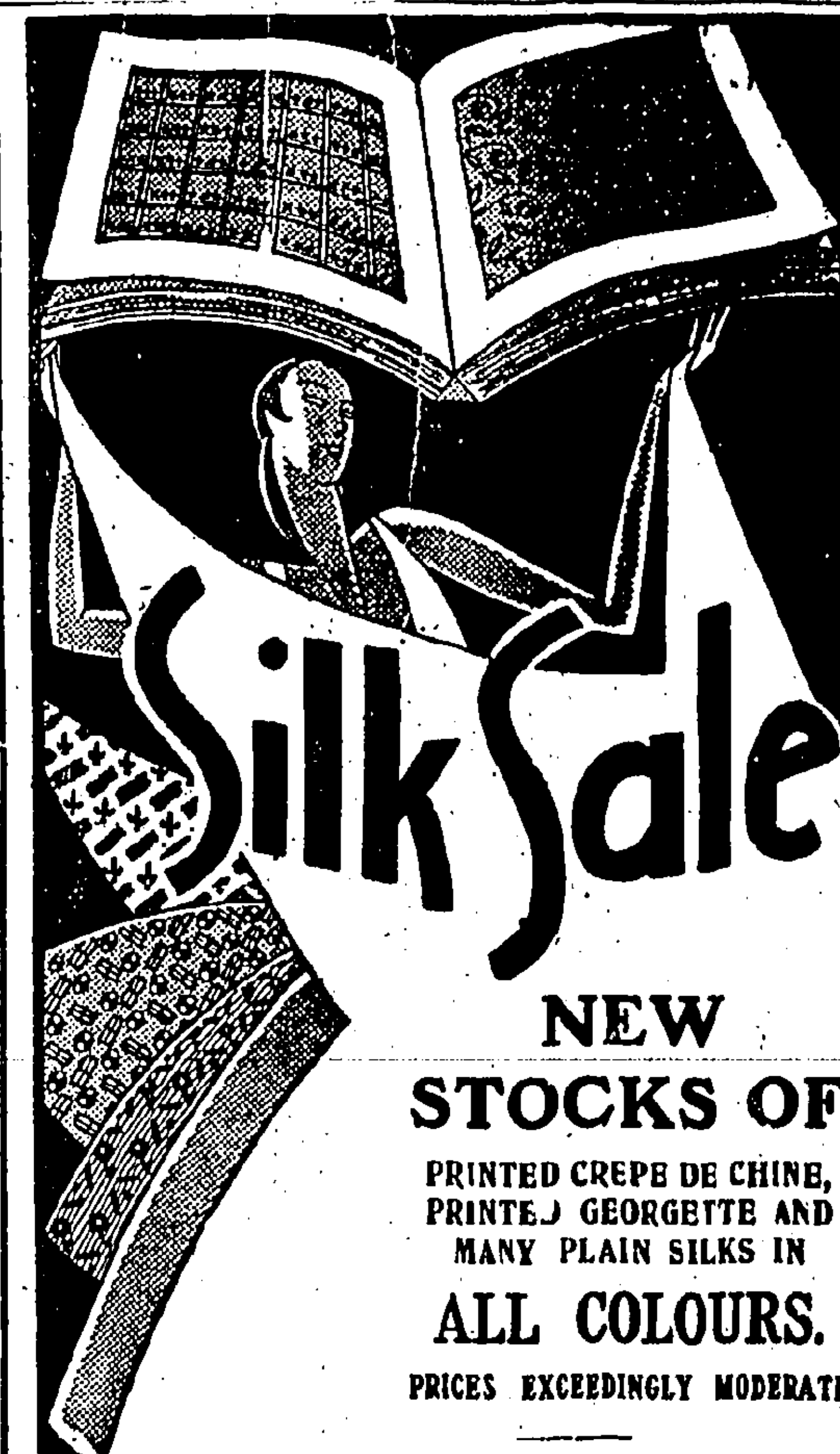
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After the first year or two of married life, it is impossible for a woman to keep her husband for herself alone; she must share him.

Sooner or later, she will find out and then, blinded by the shock of her discovery, she imagines that his love is cooling. "Things were so different when we first married," she whispers to herself.

Almost feverishly, she searches for the cause. Usually, she pictures another woman, for it is almost impossible for her to realise that love does not play as big a part in her husband's life as in her own.

She knows that nothing, but another love affair could replace her love for him, and she does not understand that he is different.

Yet, this is where a woman exerts the greatest influence. Although she only directly possesses part of him, she can sway all his activities.

Triumphs, of themselves, mean little to a man, if they are unaccompanied by the praise of the

ORIGINALITY.

According to Mr. Gordon Scridge, originality is one of the necessary qualifications of the successful business man.

Even the most fantastic and apparently impossible dreams, he thinks, may contain the kernel of some most valuable idea.

This is perfectly true. But unfortunately, though there are numerous imitations of originality commonly to be met, the real thing is scarce.

And the odd thing is that those who do possess it so rarely make the most of it.

The individual who has a vivid imagination, and to whom original thoughts come easily, rarely values them.

It is the unimaginative one, as a rule, to whom a really bright idea comes perhaps once in ten years, who is able to bottle it up, treasure it, and keep it to himself until the time is ripe for him to use it to the best advantage.

The really original individual gets too much joy out of the birth of new ideas, to bother about them once they have been given utterance.

GREEN GLASS GLOBE.

A pretty lamp is made of a globe of shaded green glass. Two sculptured figures holding the globe in their hands form an attractive pedestal.

A woman he loves. Her applause means far more to him than she can ever realise, and provides a potent weapon to direct him where she pleases.

A woman shares her husband with his love of achievement, and steers him to success.

TO-DAY'S RECIPES.

**Pineapple and Banana
Cups.**

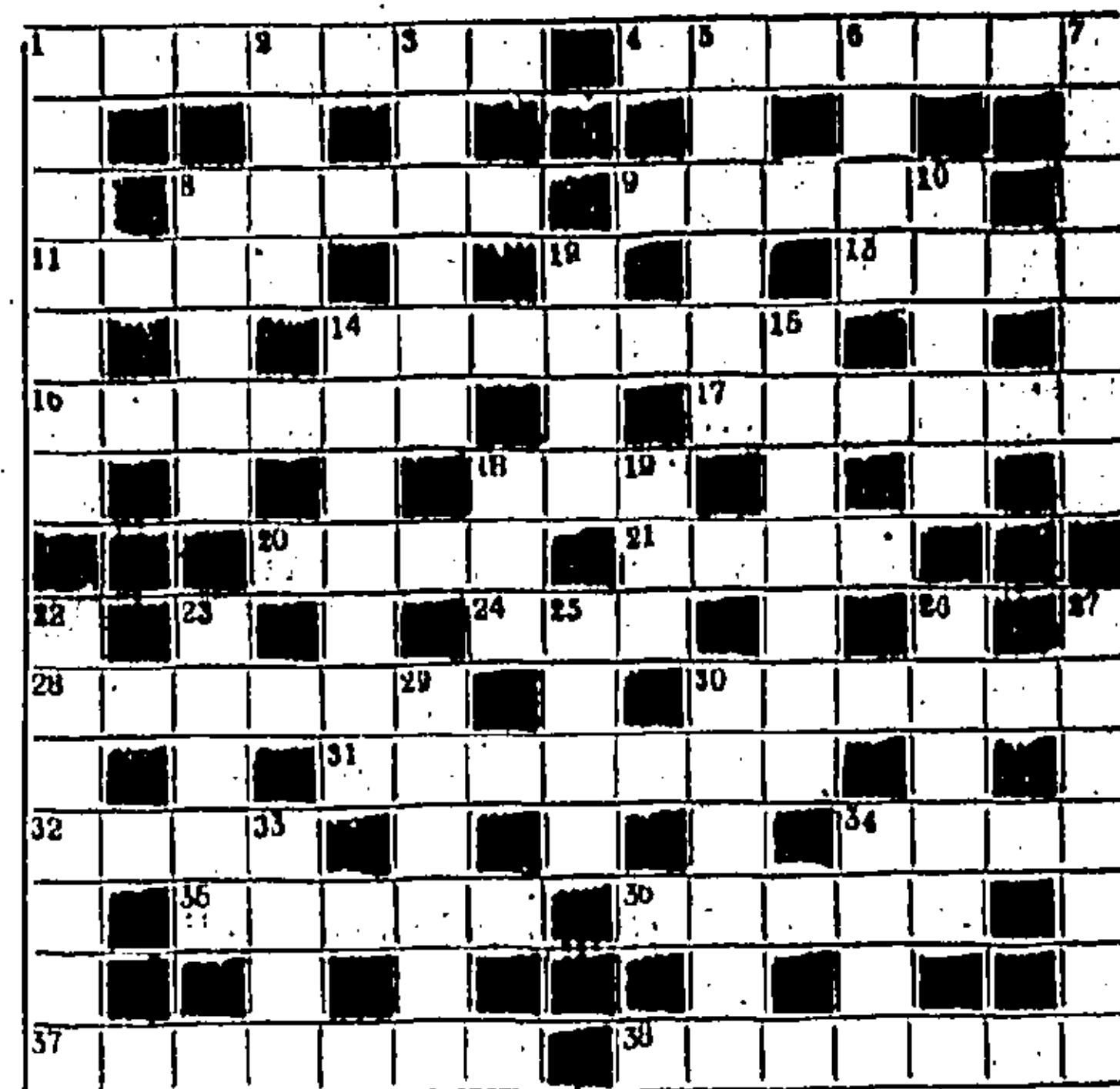
Open a medium-sized tin of pineapple chunks and empty the fruit into a good-sized bowl. Shred the chunks up rather fine. Peel six bananas and cut them up into small bits and add to the pineapple. Squeeze into those the juice of one lemon and add 2oz. of castor sugar. Mix well and set aside.

Make a half-pint of custard with a good custard powder, using nearly as much powder as for a pint. When cool beat it with a fork and add gradually a small tin of evaporated unweetened milk. Put the fruit mixture into cups, and just before serving put some dabs of cream on top of the fruit. Crush up one or two raspberry meringues and sprinkle some over the tops of the cups. This makes a delicious sweet for a party.

Golden Pudding.

One breakfastful of bread-crumbs, the same of self-raising flour; mix together in large basin with a good pinch of salt. Clean three ounces of sultanas, and add to the flour and breadcrumbs, cut up 1oz. of mixed peel. Stir in. Wash a lemon, grate the rind into flour, etc., squeeze in the juice and mix well. Cut up 3oz. of butter into tiny pieces, stir in. Beat up one egg; slightly warm two full tablespoonsful of treacle and mix in with the beaten egg. Stir this into the other ingredients, beating well. Pour into a greased paper, and steam for about 2½ hours. Serve with thin custard sauce.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 What apple sounds as though it might be wrapped in cotton wool?
- 4 Doubtless the shark would experience this if it only knew that its skin was destined to sound it.
- 8 Two and a half million seconds—more or less.
- 9 Bedaub.
- 11 "Cassius has a—and hungry look,"—Julius Caesar.
- 13 A good one may be a fairish lot—or something to congratulate oneself upon.
- 14 What the old soldier does on both sides of the river.
- 16 Sempiternities its first part this.
- 17 An allowance.
- 18 Anyone can easily draw the leaves of this.
- 20 Quite an unpleasant expression though it has a kingly sound.
- 21 Thin word in also associated with a king.
- 24 The reply, in essence, of the black sheep.
- 28 Distinctly winy.
- 30 The heroine in "Die Freischutz."
- 31 Although this, to some extent, is sure, some of us don't get much of it.
- 32 A gas made by none.
- 34 I ask you not to delete this.
- 35 The cause of many a rising.
- 36 This bit sounds as though it was opposed to war.
- 37 Don't get against this when the other man is after you with a gun.
- 38 Popular type of dog.

Down

- 1 It is not only the door-to-door canvasser who makes his living by this.
- 2 When this beast of prey gets after a gang there is likely to be nervous trouble.
- 3 "He who—scorns and mocks. By—mocked and scorned."—John Hey.
- 5 When the schoolboy receives this,

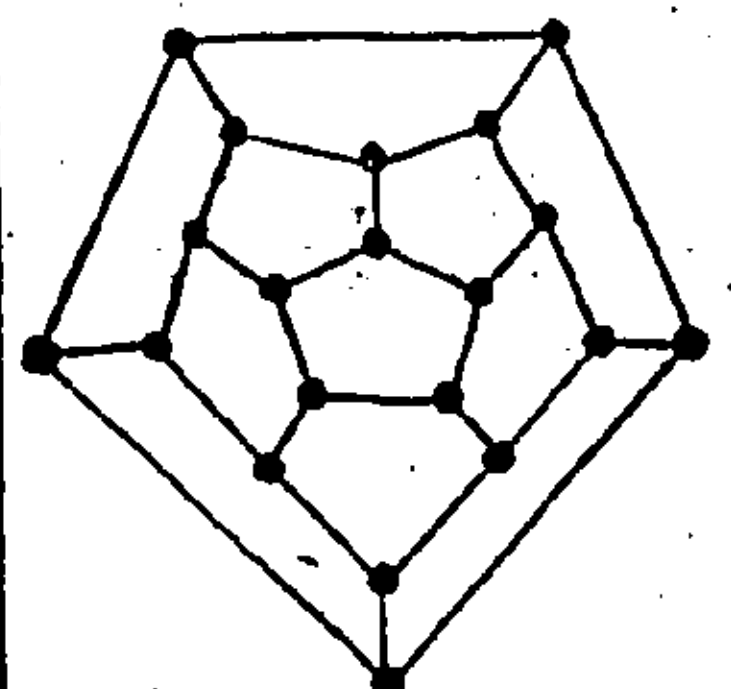
he feels that it will not thus his appetite in the least.

- 6 Spur.
- 7 Part of a cave-maker's job.
- 8 Those who compose "leams" may be called these (anag.).
- 10 The clumsy plumber has to do this to his soldering-iron at frequent intervals.
- 12 In this 18 across—to make it in the least palatable.
- 14 Might describe the feelings of the enthusiastic solver who has nailed down a "teaser."
- 15 A barbarian around fifty makes compensation.
- 18 and 19. Kindly encouragement to a stupid person.
- 22 What Nature does if slighted.
- 23 Irritate.
- 25 Have you any ideas you wish to air? (hidden.)
- 26 If so, please this them.
- 27 Describes the relationship of Mr. Dodson to Mr. Fogg.
- 29 This ticket saves money.
- 30 The good guest will never do this late.
- 33 Christian name of a famous orange-seller.
- 34 In this city there is always want.

Yesterday's Solution

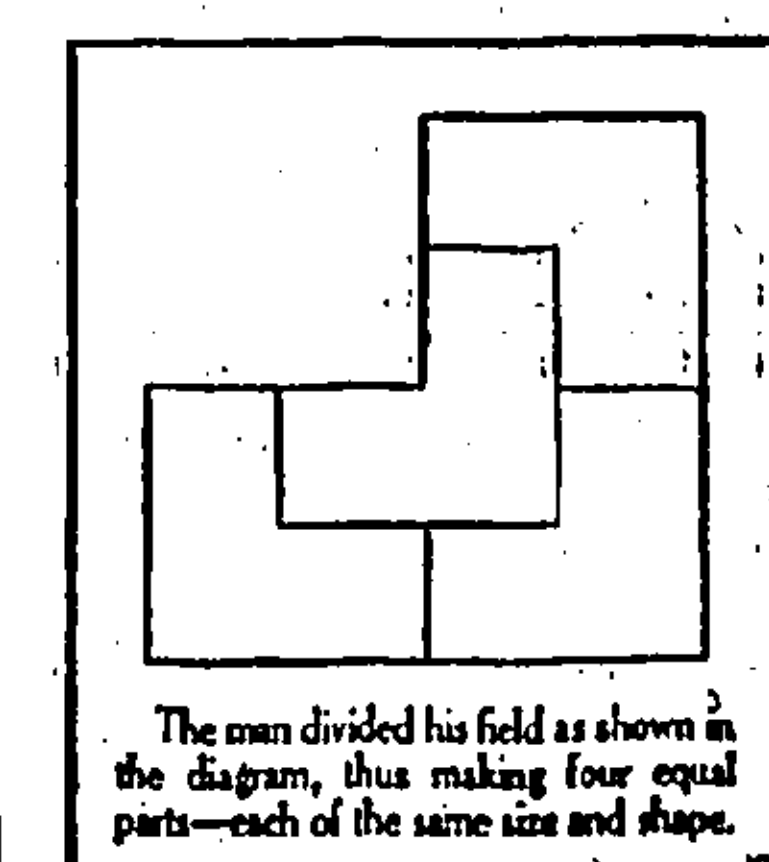
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A mail carrier had 20 stops on his route, the various points being represented by dots and the connecting roads by lines. He found a way by which he would visit each place but once, and end at a stop from which he could go to the starting place. How did he do it?

Yesterday's Solution



The men divided his field as shown in the diagram, thus making four equal parts—each of the same size and shape.

P.W.D. LAND SALE.

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Three pieces of Crown lands were disposed of at the land sale which was held yesterday afternoon at the P.W.D. when Rural Building Lot No. 326, Mount

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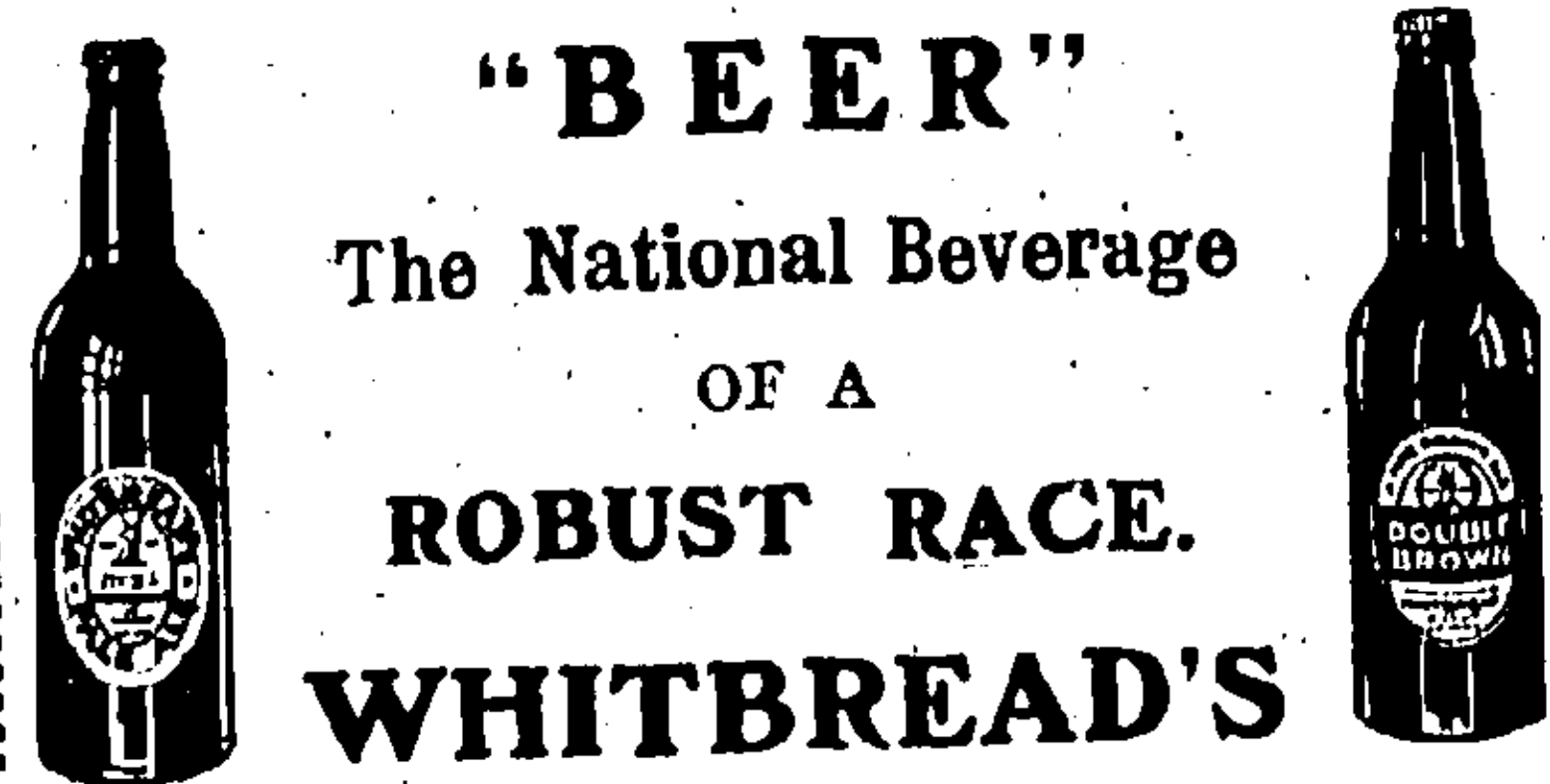
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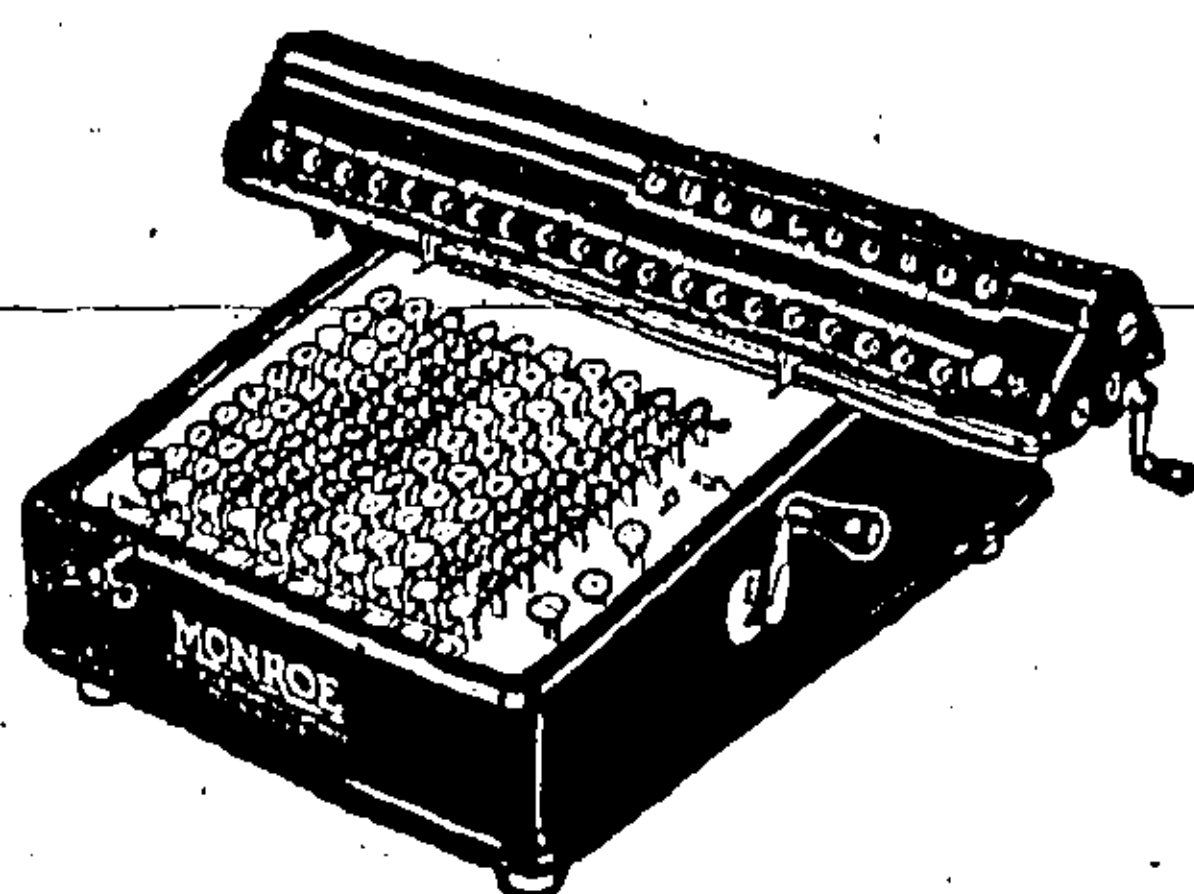
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THE DOLE PROBLEM.

Fresh interest in the unemployment problem has been aroused by the evidence recently given before the Royal Commission which is studying this question. The financial side of the matter will no doubt figure largely in the coming Budget, but meanwhile there are other aspects which are worthy of notice. There are today millions of idle people in all the great industrial countries, and as we read accounts of bread-queues and privations, there is at any rate something to be thankful for in the organised social services at home which have prevented developments of that nature. It is well to remember, also, that the Unemployment Insurance Fund was heavily in debt before the world slump began and that what has been termed the "hard core" of a million unemployed has existed ever since the short-lived post-war boom. However, it is evident that the so-called dole system has been very considerably abused, and, as one commentator has expressed it, one of the most disquieting features of the insurance problem is the risk which is run of creating unemployment by the efforts to relieve it and of petrifying an obsolete distribution of industry instead of easing the process of transition.

Coming to look at the question from close range, we find much that is informative in memoranda prepared for the Royal Commission by the Ministry of Labour, one of which breaks up the "hard core" of a million unemployed into its component and yet dissimilar parts. It is generally admitted that the unemployment caused by the world slump will pass with the slump, and can only be reduced by international action. It may be equally necessary, however, to separate the problem of continuous unemployment in con-termining from that of organised short-time in cotton, and both of these from the intermittent employment which is a permanent feature in docks, shipping, public works contracting, and building. It is significant, for example, that, according to the Ministry of Labour, the unemployment problem in the last-named industries has been "intensified by the conditions of the Insurance Acts." As one of the leading political journals has pointed out, it is important that we should realise the

extent to which the insurance scheme has been weighed down by three or four great industries, while the majority of insured occupations, covering more than two-thirds of the insured population, have continued to pay contributions in excess of the benefits which they have required. This is a point which is not generally recognised. A singularly misleading picture of the problem is given by the figures which are published every week, and which wrongly suggest that there is a vast army of permanently unemployed people. For this reason, there is something to be said for the suggestion that the Insurance Fund should be freed from those industries which weigh it down and thus be restored to its proper actuarial basis. It is realised, of course, that this would leave a very serious burden on the Exchequer and possibly necessitate less generous treatment of those in distressed industries. One other suggestion is that transitional benefit should be cut right out of the insurance scheme, those who fall out of insurance being relieved according to their actual necessity.

Meanwhile, it may not be without interest to recall what a prominent American, Senator Borah, recently said about Britain's method of dealing with the unemployment problem. "People talk," he said, "of how England established the dole and now is unable to get rid of it. England will get rid of the dole when she can get rid of the economic depression which has made it necessary. On the day when Englishmen can get their jobs back, Parliament will end the dole with the consent of those who have received it. We place too little faith in the courage, pride, and self-reliance of the Anglo-Saxon race. Neither Americans nor English ever have been dole-gatherers, nor will they ever be."

The St. George's Election.

The rival factions in the Conservative Party are now definitely at grips and the by-election at St. George's, Westminster, threatens to be livelier and more bitter even than that at Islington, which in its turn was less restrained than the Paddington one. In fact, tempers are already badly frayed, as Mr. Baldwin's verbal castigation of his opponents clearly shows, and although none of those "crude labour men" are complicating the issue, the campaign does not look like providing a lesson in the refinements of electioneering. Mr. Baldwin's asperity is easily understood. At Paddington, Vice-Admiral Taylor defeated the official Conservative nominee, and at Islington, Brig. Gen. Critchley polled more heavily than Miss Cazalet, a very popular candidate supported by Party Headquarters. These serious setbacks for official Conservatism were bad enough. At St. George's, however, the Press Barons have excelled themselves in their demonstration of implacable enmity to the leader of the Party by side-tracking as far as possible ordinary political platform planks, and making Mr. Baldwin's leadership the only clear issue before the electors. To be or not to be, that is the question. Should Sir Ernest Petter be returned, Mr. Baldwin's position will be exceedingly embarrassing. It is probable that he would refuse to accept a notice to quit given by the St. George's people. At the same time, his authority would be severely shaken. A very strong candidate has been put into the field to uphold the official Conservative cause. One may be certain that if Mr. Duff Cooper cannot win the seat, the situation is beyond Mr. Baldwin's power to control; he might just as well retire gracefully while the going is good. The other parties have been astute enough to give the rival Conservatives a clear field and the most interesting battle since the General Election is in prospect. A third successive victory for Lord Beaverbrook would be disastrous from the viewpoint of the Leader of the Opposition.

DAY BY DAY

ALL GOOD GOVERNMENT MUST BEGIN AT HOME.—H. R. Haweis.

Special Ferries have been arranged for the S.P.O.A. Ball on Friday to run at 1.15 a.m., 1.45 a.m. and 2.15 a.m., by favour of the Star Ferry Company Limited.

After taking an overdose of opium in an effort to cure a cold, Yeung Tsik-hong (40), a broker of 2, Queen's Road, West was removed to the Government Civil Hospital by his relatives yesterday.

Last week's return of notifiable diseases shows six cases of typhoid (one imported), of which one was fatal, and two non-fatal cases of small-pox. There were also 55 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Liang Shi-wai, of the Education Department, residing at 1, Lung Chim Terrace, Happy Valley, to Miss Yuen Wo Mary Ho, daughter of Mr. Ho Kwong, residing at 7 Macdonnell Road.

Convicted of a charge of unlawful possession of an electric light shade and fitting, for which the man could not give a satisfactory explanation, a gardener employed by the Rev. G. E. Powell of 400, The Peak, was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour with the option of fine of \$30 by Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning.

Before Commr. J. B. Newell, D.S.O., R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, Capt. J. Jacobsen, master of the s.s. Gustav Diederichsen, was summoned for arriving in the Colony on March 9 with pigs in crates, which were not stowed in accordance with the Livestock Import and Export Ordinance. Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$25.

A peon employed by the Green Island Cement Company was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment for the theft of 56 bolts and nuts, the property of the Company, by Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. "As you admitted it, I have let you off with two weeks' less; otherwise you would have got two months," remarked Mr. Hamilton.

DAIRY FARM COMPANY.

REPORT REVEALS SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The annual report of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., states that the profit for the period under review after writing off \$145,918.04 for depreciation, placing \$15,000.00 to reserve against bad and doubtful debts and providing for Directors' and Auditors' fees, amounts to \$351,418.94 which includes the sum of \$24,054.41 brought forward from last year's accounts. It is proposed to deal with the above balance of \$351,418.94 as follows:

To pay a dividend of	
\$1.50 per share on	\$300,000.00
200,000 shares	
Add to General Reserve	20,000.00
To carry forward	31,418.94

Retiring Directors.—The Hon. Mr. J. Owen-Hughes and Mr. T. E. Pearce retire by rotation but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Audit.—The annexed accounts have been audited by Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming who offer themselves for re-election.

THE WORLD GOES BY.

By WILLIS J. ABBOTT
(in the Christian Science Monitor).

WHEN President Coolidge toward the end of his term of office put forth his ambitious plan to choose to run' statement, all the political sagas, pundits, interpreters, commentators, soothsayers and wisecracks of the land set about reading into those few words every possible meaning except that intended by the speaker. And now the President of the United States, Herbert Hoover, says with perfect clarity:

"The Commission, by a large majority, does not favour the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment as a method of cure for the inherent abuses of the liquor traffic. I am in accord with this view." Nothing could be more direct and unequivocal, but once again the chorus of "interpretation" rises in the effort to prove that the President did not mean what he said, but what his interpreters wanted him to mean. Friends who were with the President within a few minutes after his typewritten statement was given to the press are in a position to testify to the single-mindedness of his purpose and intent. At a stroke he made himself the leader of the dry forces in the United States and gave assurance to the nation that the great political party of which he is head will enter the next national campaign as the defender of American industry against the blighting return of liquor, and of the American home against the saloon. As to the outcome of a test of that character, no one with faith in American ideals and American intelligence should cherish any doubt.

There is, however, political opposition to the President's maintenance of the position he has assumed. It proceeds chiefly from wets, partly from politicians who believe that the sections in which they operate are antagonistic to prohibition. The newspapers, for example, have been full of the clamor of certain New York Republicans who insist that their State will be lost to that party if Mr. Hoover adheres to his support of the Eighteenth Amendment.

The case of Charles H. Tuttle, who sought to be elected Governor of New York on a Republican ticket with wet embroilery, is illuminating. In 1928, Albert Ottinger polled 2,104,630 votes as Republican candidate, coming so near to defeating Franklin D. Roosevelt as to put that gentleman's political life in jeopardy. Mr. Ottinger studiously refrained from offending the dry Republicans. But Mr. Tuttle, only two years later, thinking that the wet vote in the State was essential to victory, proclaimed himself opposed to prohibition and received a scant 1,044,000 votes against his opponent's 1,769,200. Almost 1,000,000 Republicans who had voted their dry ticket in 1928 stayed at home in 1930. Whether the Republican Party can win at all next year is uncertain. The one thing certain is that it cannot win with a wet candidate or platform.

It is rather a pity that the proposition to eliminate aliens from census enumeration for the purpose of fixing the quota of congressional representatives cannot be detached from the eternal wet

and dry quarrel. Most of the aliens are settled in America's great cities. Because of their numbers they add to the size of the city delegations in Congress. But the cities are commonly "wet," so it is that cause which profits by anything which swells urban representation. Accordingly all the wet forces, of politics and the press, are aligned against the very proper effort to exclude these aliens from those who count in fixing congressional representation.

The problem is not unimportant. Official estimates place the number of unnaturalized foreigners resident in the United States at 7,500,000. An representation in Congress is based upon total population instead of upon citizenship, these residents, without votes, are represented by thirty congressmen and sixty delegates sent to the national nominating conventions. As matters stand, this political strength accrues almost entirely to the anti-prohibition forces.

Only by congressional amendment can this obvious error be corrected and an amendment sponsored by Senator Capper and Representative Sparks, both of Kansas, is before Congress and is now going through hearings before a House Committee. Its importance far transcends the liquor problem—which, after all, is but a passing phase of America's national development. The proper regulation of the franchise and the right allocation of representation to the various sections of the country are fundamentals of national existence.

There came to my desk the other day a volume of some 600 meagre pages, from the Stanford University Press, entitled, "International Understanding." What is important about it is that it is given over to a list and brief description of the organizations making for a greater internationalism, a wider diffusion of knowledge concerning the factual and spiritual difficulties of international problems. In a foreword Paul Mantoux asserts:

The man with the highest international spirit is one whose enlightened patriotism seeks to understand other countries, and to build national honour and prosperity on co-operation, harmony and peace. If in every country a powerful group of such men and women bring their influence to bear on schools, on churches, on literature, on business, on politics, international organization, whether or no its name be League of Nations, will be given a fair chance.

Prof. John Eugene Harlow, author of this book, has sought to compile a full list of these "Agencies Educating for a New World." He enumerates sixty-nine of them, ranging in importance from the League of Nations down to some of the summer schools springing up in such numbers in the United States. At that his catalogue, though, at the most comprehensive in existence, is not complete. Organizations of this character are appearing in the United States continually and a book cataloguing them can never be all-inclusive. Even so, a volume of this nature is of the greatest value as giving visual expression to the powerful intellectual forces that are struggling to annul the influence of the imperialists, the militarists, the general staffs and navy leagues that see nothing better in store for the world than

to attempt, the future, portal With the past's blood-custard key.

If, as is commonly supposed to be the case, the purpose of liquor legislation is to reduce the consumption of intoxicating liquors, the latest report of the Quebec Liquor Commission rather discredits that greatly enlarged "Quebec plan." The sales of the commission for its last fiscal year amounted to \$27,639,998, an increase over the year before of \$532,000, and an increase of more than \$12,000,000 over its first year's business.

In nine years the effect of the law has been almost to double the consumption of liquor. Not even the most extravagant enemies of prohibition will assert that its effects in the ten years of its existence in the United States have paralleled this record.

Some figures as to the significance of this record of expenditures for intoxicants in Quebec are illuminating. No census has been taken of the Province since 1921, but I am informed by the Canadian Legation at Washington that its population to-day is estimated at 2,784,500. The liquor

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"What's keeping you girls? The boys are already here."

THE HORN-TOOTING
NUISANCE.CHAUFFEUR FINED FOR
OFFENDING.

POLICE CAMPAIGN.

Ng Foo, a chauffeur in the employ of a Chinese resident at Arbuthnot Road, was summoned before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning for causing a nuisance by excessively tooting his horn.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., whose quarters look on Arbuthnot Road and who was the complainant, told the Court that the incident happened on February 21 at 6.50 a.m. Defendant was tooting incessantly, apparently with the intention of attracting the notice of his employer.

"We are doing our best," said Mr. Wodehouse, "to get it into the heads of these people that they must not use their horns unnecessarily. We have had great trouble with this excessive tooting of horns."

Replying to a query from the Bench, Mr. Wodehouse said the tooting in this case occurred some little way above the Gaiety Quarters, and not very far from Calne Road. The Magistrate (to defendant):—6.30 in far too early to toot your horn like that. People are still asleep. Fined ten dollars.

TRINITY COLLEGE,
DUBLIN.

ANNUAL REUNION DINNER.

The annual Trinity College (Dublin University) dinner was held on Thursday last in the Hongkong Club. Colonel C. D. Myles, O.B.E., presiding. Absence from the Colony prevented Sir Joseph Kemp, C.B.E., from being present, and Surgeon Captain T. W. Myles, O.B.E., R.N., and Major H. P. Hart, M.C., were unavoidably prevented from attending.

Those present included Surgeon Lieut. R. R. Baker, the Rev. G. K. Carpenter, Mr. A. G. Clark, Surgeon Lieut. J. J. Cusack, Major F. G. Flood, M.C., the Rev. H. F. Foley, Dr. G. V. A. Griffith, Mr. H. C. Hallows, Major F. Harter, M.C., Dr. P. B. Jackson, Mr. G. G. Kennedy-Skipiton, Mr. G. P. de Martin, M.B.E., Mr. T. Morarty, Mr. H. C. Macnamara, Mr. J. H. McEveety, Colonel C. D. Myles, O.B.E., Mr. M. G. O'Connor, Mr. C. G. Perdue, Mr. W. La B. Sparrow, Mr. E. G. Stewart, Major P. S. Stewart, Professor R. E. Tottenham, and Mr. E. H. Williams.

LOCAL SURVEYORS.

OFFICERS ELECTED AT THE
ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong and China branch of the Surveyors' Institution was held on Thursday last, when the following officers were elected:—Chairman, Mr. A. G. W. Tickle, F.R.I.C.E.R., F.S.I.; Vice-Chairman, Mr. W. A. Cornhill, P.A.S.I.; Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. E. Richardson, P.A.S.I.; Members of the Committee:—Mr. N. L. Sparke, O.B.E., F.S.I. (Shanghai member), Mr. F. J. Ling, F.S.I. and Mr. E. B. Reed, P.A.S.I.

The address of the Hon. Secretary is Valuation and Resumption Office, Public Works Department, Hongkong, to whom all communications should be addressed.

SENTENCE QUASHED.

SIR R. KINDERSLEY GIVES
EVIDENCE FOR SERVANT.

Sir Robert Kindersley, of Grosvenor-square, a director of the Bank of England gave evidence at London Sessions when his footman, Henry Strickland, appeared against conviction and sentence of three months' hard labour imposed by Mr. Mead at Marlborough-street police court on a charge of being a rogue and vagabond.

Sir Robert Kindersley said that Strickland had been in his employment four years and a half and he had formed the highest opinion of his character. Since the conviction he had kept Strickland in his employ. After a consultation by the justices, the Chairman, Mr. Cecil Whiteley, K.C., said that they had come to the conclusion that they could not allow the appeal against the conviction. But the Court considered that having regard to the exceedingly good character that Strickland had been given, instead of a sentence of imprisonment the proper way of dealing with him was to bind him over on probation. The sentence of three months' hard labour was quashed and the appeal against conviction dismissed with costs against Strickland.

PACIFIC TRADE
CONFERENCE.TO MEET IN AMERICA
NEXT YEAR.

Formal invitations have been sent out by the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce for a conference of business executives in the Pacific Area to be held in San Francisco in May, 1932. This Conference has been called after extensive correspondence and personal contact with Chambers of Commerce in Japan, China, Philippine Islands, Indo China, Siam, Straits Settlements, Dutch East Indies, Australia and New Zealand, which are strongly of the conviction that the time has come when there must be organized plans for expansion of future trade in the Pacific. There are many problems in connexion with this matter which need clearance and understanding. In order to consider these problems and take advantage of the opportunities, there is a feeling that much closer personal contact between the men actually doing business in the Pacific should be made.

The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce has taken the initiative in calling this Conference and has made extensive preparations for the entertainment and comfort of the delegates. The Chamber will ask the co-operation of other ports on the Pacific and will invite interests in other parts of the United States doing business in the Pacific Area to attend the Conference. Invitations will also be sent to Canada and the South and Central American countries bordering on the Pacific.

The Conference will be an official and strictly economic in character. No subject, however controversial, will be barred from discussion and every effort will be made to secure discussion of problems or policies which at the present time interfere with Pacific trade.

WESTMINSTER GLEE
SINGERS.FINAL APPEARANCE HERE
TODAY.

The Westminster Glee Singers, under Mr. Edward Branscombe, will definitely make their last appearance in Hongkong to-night when they will present a new change of programme, the feature of which will be the singing of an entirely new set of old English folk songs.

The Company received another enthusiastic welcome on their appearance at the Star Theatre last night for the second time on their present short visit, but they certainly deserved a much bigger house than they actually had. The principals and boys all gave of their best and again provided a first-class entertainment of old English folk songs, sailor shanties and other popular numbers.

DANGEROUS MOTOR
CYCLING.EUROPEAN FINED \$30 THIS
MORNING.

Mr. L. Spracht, of Messrs. Melchers & Co., summoned for negligent driving while riding along Pokfulam Road on his cycle on February 24, returned a plea of "guilty" at the Magistracy this morning.

Traffic Sergeant Brown stated that Mr. Spracht came round a very bad bend above Pokfulam on the wrong side of the road, and had to swerve back to his own side when he encountered a witness coming from the opposite direction on a police machine. Had it been a car, the margin would not have been wide enough to avoid a collision. Defendant was driving at 20 miles an hour.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Friday.	Yesterday.
Paris.....	124.07½	124.07½
Geneva.....	25.23½	25.24½
Oslo.....	18.10	18.10
Helsingfors.....	103	103
Buenos Aires.....	37.11/32	37½
Athens.....	37½	37½
Shanghai.....	1/25	1/25
New York.....	4.85.11/16	4.85.25/32
Amsterdam.....	12.11½	12.11½
Stockholm.....	18.13½	18.14½
Copenhagen.....	34.66½	34.66½
Madrid.....	45.16	44.70
Buenos Aires.....	817	817
Montevideo.....	35½	30
Hongkong.....	11½	11½
Brussels.....	34.85½	34.85
Copenhagen.....	18.10½	18.10½
Prague.....	104	104
Lisbon.....	108.25	108.25
Rio.....	4½	4
Bombay.....	1/5.25/32	1/5.13/16
Yokohama.....	2/0.19/32	2/0.5/10
Silver (spot).....	15.5/16	15½
„ (forward).....	18½	13.5/16

—British Wireless.

SLAVE TRAFFIC
QUESTIONS.HOPE OF USEFUL WORK IN
LIBERIA.

RED SEA POSITION.

London, Mar. 9.
In the House of Commons today, when questioned on the resolutions of the League Committee which met in London recently to advise on the assistance to be given to Liberia in dealing with slavery and forced labour, the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Hugh Dalton, said the Liberian Government were represented on the Committee and the decisions were unanimous.

He added that the British Government had every reason to hope that the experts on general administration who were proceeding to Monrovia would be able to propose suitable action to end the unsatisfactory state of affairs revealed in the report of the Commission of Enquiry.

Mr. Dalton stated that no specific instances of slave-trading across the Red Sea were brought to the notice of the British Government last year, though he feared it was quite possible that shipments of slaves from the African to the Arabian coast took place.

The activities of His Majesty's ships and the measures taken by the French and Italian Governments had undoubtedly reduced the traffic to comparatively small proportions.—British Wireless.

FAMOUS STARS.



Two famous operatic stars who will appear in Hongkong on the 29th instant under the direction of Mr. A. Strok. Top, Toti dal Monte, described as the world's greatest coloratura soprano and "the second Patti," bottom, Enzo de Muro-Lomanto, celebrated lyric tenor from La Scala, Milan, one of Italy's youngest stars, who is said to be the coming Caruso. Mr. Strok says the visit of these two artists represents the biggest attraction he has brought to the East.

THE WORLD GOES BY.

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bill, therefore, of the Province for the last year amounted to \$10.70, in round numbers, for each man, woman, and child. A like expenditure by the people of the United States would result in an annual drink bill of more than \$1,310,000,000. This seems scarcely the sort of "reform" which the United States desires, or which the advocates of the substitution of the Quebec plan for prohibition have been promising.

Perhaps—probably—a large part of these sales were to thirsty citizens of the United States who sought liquor in Canada. But that consideration does not dispose of the fact that the Quebec plan encourages liquor—it would encourage it only the more if it were bought in the United States, thus saving those thirsty the long journey to Quebec.

JAPAN ENDORSES
NAVAL PLAN.POINTS RAISED BY WAY
OF DESIDERATA.

CAPITAL SHIP ISSUE.

Tokyo, Mar. 10.
It is learned that Japan's reply indicating her attitude to the Franco-Italian naval agreement has been transmitted to London. No details have yet been made public, but it is understood that the reply expresses unreserved approval, though various comments in the nature of desiderata are appended.

It is intimated that attention is drawn to the large submarine tonnage allotted to France, and also the large tonnage of super-annuated war craft.

Another point which is believed to have been taken up in the reply is the question of capital ships. As the agreement proposes to allow both France and Italy to exceed the limits set by the Washington Treaty, it is feared that this may entail re-ratification of the Treaty in a modified form, which is considered undesirable.

It is also feared that if France and Italy build new capital ships now, this will tend to nullify the hopes of reaching an agreement for the abolition of capital ships at the Conference in 1936.

It is presumed that these comments are intended to be taken into consideration at next year's Disarmament Conference at Geneva.—Reader.

THE TWO JACOB
EPSTEINS.

A "MONSTROSITY IN MARBLE."

The exhibitions at the Leicester Galleries, Leicester-square, W.C., are always entertaining—exciting, and sometimes sensational—exciting, as, for instance, when Epstein's "Eve" and "Christ" were on view.

Both of these statues offended sensitive minds, but they had rare artistic qualities which atoned in some measure for their ethical aberration.

Epstein's new work, "Genesis," however, has no *raison d'être*, no extenuating circumstances to justify public exhibition.

It is utterly devoid of distinction, either of style or of craftsmanship; it is pneumatic, rather than monumental, and those suffering from neurasthenia had better not see what can be described only as a monstrosity in marble.

It is far otherwise, however, with his portrait busts. They are in the main magnificent examples of plastic art and intense representations of racial types in bronze. He reveals the character of his models with a frankness that could hardly be expressed in words without infringement of the law of libel.

Enigmatic Emotions.

Great compassion is also shown for mental or spiritual tribulation, for the enigmatic emotions that perplex humanity.

Note the forces of "Esther," "May," "Lydia," "Rebecca," and the "Isabel Powys," which, from the technical point of view, is the most wonderful thing in the room.

There is, again, a Verlainian sort of languor in "La Bohémienne's" half-closed eyes. And look, too, at the lips of the "Rt. Hon. Viscount Rothermere, P.C." "La Belle Juive" is superb, and the "Putti" and "Joan Greenwood" are delightfully human.

In addition to the Epsteins' there are extremely clever drawings of birds by Simon Bussy, and attractive paintings by contemporary artists. The finest of them include Souverbie's "Jeune fille nonant son turban," Boudin's "Marines" (20 and 31), James Pryde's "The Man in Possession," and Richard Sickert's "Gardens of the Casino."

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals.

March 1932 6/9 no change.
May 1931 5/10 no change.
August 1931 6/1½ up ¼d.
December 1931 5/6½ up ¼d.

New York Terminals.

March 1932 1.56 4 pts.
May 1931 1.24 up 4 pts.
July 1931 1.38 up 4 pts.
September 1931 1.40 up 5 pts.
December 1931 1.48 up 5 pts.

THE CREATION.

DR BARNES ADOPTS
SCIENTIFIC VIEW.

CHURCH ASSEMBLY.

Unusual liveliness marked the closing meeting of the spring session of the Church Assembly owing to a statement of belief regarding the Creation which was made by Dr. Barnes, Bishop of Birmingham.

The Rev. C. E. Douglas (Southwark) had in a speech made some reference to old and new beliefs concerning the creation of the world.

The Bishop of Birmingham said: "Those who study our popular newspapers will realise that of all that has been said this morning what will go into the homes of our people is the statement by Mr. Douglas that he believes that the world was created literally in six days." (Interruptions from various parts of the Assembly, including a laughing protest from Mr. Douglas.)

"For the sake of our people," continued Dr. Barnes, "I think it ought to be stated here that such a statement was not accepted seriously by this House without protest. It is much to be desired that our people should know that we, as a Church, feel that we can accept the assured conclusions of modern science without feeling that we thereby in any way disparage the value of the spiritual witness of the Bible."

"We believe that the first chapter of Genesis still demands our regard because of the emphasis therein on the creative activity of God. The world, we affirm, as disclosed to us by modern science, has not come into existence as the result of some fortuitous concourse of atoms." (At this point Sir Charles Marston rose to a point of order and there was much confusion.)

Age of the Earth.
The Bishop of London (who was presiding): "I shall rule out of order any further discussion on the creation of the world." (Laughter.)

Mr. Douglas: On a point of order I did not make that statement. (Laughter.)

The Bishop of Birmingham: I am very glad to have elicited from Mr. Douglas the fact that he does not wish to insist on the literal truth of the creation of the world in six or seven days. Recent scientific discoveries have enabled men of science to state the age of the earth with very considerable accuracy. (Cries of "Oh, oh" and laughter.)

Replying to another point of order, Dr. Winnington Ingram said: Let the Bishop finish his speech.

The Bishop of Birmingham: The approximate age of the earth is between 2,000,000,000 and 4,000,000,000 years. (Laughter.)

The Bishop of London: I must rule out of order any further discussion about the date of the Creation. (Loud laughter.)

The Assembly gave final approval to the Cathedral Measure, which establishes and defines the functions, powers and duties of the Cathedral Commissioners for England.

THE PEASANT'S
APPEAL.POSTAL OFFICIALS TO THE
RESCUE.

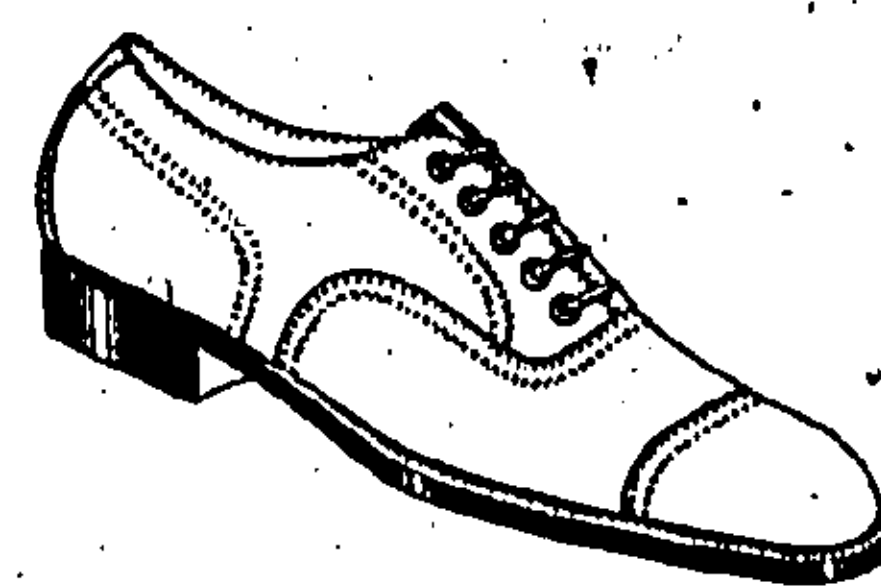
Berlin, Feb. 8.
If the expedient to which Jön Craeum, a Rumanian peasant, resorted in order to obtain sufficient money to discharge a pressing debt were dictated to him by unlettered ignorance it was certainly effective.

Six thousand lei (£7 10s.) had to be raised at once and poor Jön was at his wit's end. At last he be-thought himself of the priest's saying, "God will help all good Christians in their need."

Without more ado Jön sat down and laboriously indited a letter explaining his plight, and folded it up inside an envelope, upon which he wrote in a large and shaky hand, "To the Worthy Lord God in Heaven." Then, either because of his financial straits or because he supposed the destination of his epistle to lie within the borders of Rumania, he stuck an inland postage stamp upon it.

"Address Not Known."
Eventually the pathetic appeal found its way to the Post Office headquarters in Bucharest, with "address not known" stamped upon it. The officials, upon opening the letter, were so moved by the naïveté of the appeal that they forthwith began a subscription for the poor peasant and raised the sum of 3,000 lei, which they forwarded to him through the post.

Jön was delighted and sat down once more to compose a letter of thanks, this time addressed to "The Most Worthy Lord God in Heaven." But as the sum he had so mercifully received was still insufficient to acquit himself of the debt, he added as a postscript: "I beg of You, dear Lord, if You should ever again be so merciful as to help Your servant, do not send Your gift by post, because as usual the officials stole half of it."

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THE INTER-POLICE SPORTS.

PROGRAMME OF SHANGHAI
TEAM'S VISIT.

NUMEROUS EVENTS.

The programme for the Inter-Police Force contests during the coming week has been tentatively arranged and provides for a football match, golf, billiards and rifle and revolver shooting contests. On the social side, the visitors will be the guests of the local Force at a dance to-morrow evening and a dinner on Monday while they will also attend the St. Patrick's Ball, to be held at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday, March 17.

The team was to have arrived to-day, but owing to fog the ship has been delayed and they are not expected to come into port until to-morrow. The smoking concert which was to have been held at the Police Club this evening has, therefore, been cancelled. On the arrival of the team to-morrow, they will be met by local police officers and after being given an opportunity to put in some practice, they will be the guests at a dance to be given at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant at 8.30 p.m.

On Thursday, the main fixture of the visit, the Inter-Police Force football match, will be played on the Hongkong Football Club ground at Happy Valley, the game being timed to commence at 4.15 p.m. Admission will be \$1.10 (including tax).

The programme for Friday is a golf match at Happy Valley during the day and a billiards match in the evening, starting at 8.30 p.m. Nothing has yet been arranged for Saturday, but on Sunday the visiting players will meet the South China Athletic Association in a football match at Caroline Hill at 4 p.m.

The rifle and revolver shooting contests will be fired on Monday on the Taikeo Rifle Range, and at 8 p.m. the inter-police dinner will be held at the Police Recreation Club at Happy Valley. The Shanghai Police officers will attend the St. Patrick's Ball at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday next at 9 p.m. and on Wednesday, March 18, they are due to depart.

The above programme is subject to alteration after the arrival of the Shanghai team.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

ENGLISH COUPLE GIVE
GOOD DISPLAY.

The teaming-up of A. L. Sullivan and L. Goldman in the doubles tennis championship indicates a definite English challenge to the supremacy in this phase of the game which has for so many years now been shared locally by Indians and Chinese. Yesterday they were seen in action for the first time and made a favourable impression. They defeated Dr. Montgomery and L. Forster without any difficulty, conceding but four games in the two sets.

C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. E. Cassumbhoy gave further evidence of their championship potentialities with a convincing win, and Segalen and Zimmern, giving a much-improved display, advanced to the third round.

M. W. Lo and Ng Sze-kwong were the two winners in the singles competition, while Capt. E. C. Etherington and W. N. Petch advanced a further stage in the Club Championship.

Open Singles.

M. W. Lo beat Ho Wai-hing, 6-0, 6-2.
Ng Sze-kwong beat A. O. Johnson, 6-0, 6-2.

Open Doubles.

A. L. Sullivan and L. Goldman beat Dr. Montgomery and Forster, 6-3, 6-1.
C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. E. Cassumbhoy beat Lt. Col. J. G. Lecky and Capt. W. M. Morgan, 6-1, 6-1.
Segalen and F. Zimmern beat C. S. Pile and C. E. Hanwell, 6-4, 6-4.

Club Championship.

Capt. E. C. Etherington beat E. R. Price, 6-0, 6-0.
W. N. Petch beat L. T. Ride, 8-6, 6-3.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Club Championship.

Goldman v. Wade.

Open Singles.

Howard v. M. K. Lo.
L. T. Ride v. Lai.
Tsui Wai-pui v. Morgan.

Open Doubles.

E. C. Fincher and F. Fincher v. V. Soenderman and Lee.
Lee Woon-tai and Lee Wai-tai v. Ride and Lai.

MARATHON RACE.

DEAD HEAT IN POPULAR
KOWLOON EVENT.

Twenty-seven runners faced the starters in the tenth annual marathon organised by the St. Andrew's Church Young Men's Club, which was run yesterday afternoon over a course of approximately six and a half miles, all the competitors but one being Service men.

After leading the whole way, Lance Corporal Palmer and Private Jones-Rogers, both of the South Wales Borderers, breast the tape together for a dead-heat, with A. B. Benson, of H.M.S. Cumberland, a good third. The finish was not an exciting one, the dead heat would make the race out to be, it appearing as if Palmer and Jones-Rogers wanted to breast the tape together.

A. B. Benson was close to the leaders most of the way, but could not overtake them, finishing a little distance behind. A. B. Murfet, also of H.M.S. Cumberland, filled fourth place.

Of the twenty-seven starters, only one did not complete the course. The time taken by the winners was 34 minutes 36 seconds, as compared with 33 minutes 25 seconds (a record) taken by Bugler White, who won the race last year.

The course, this year, was slightly longer than that of last year starting from St. Andrew's Church (Nathan Road) on through Waterloo Road, Argyle Street, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City, To Kwa Wan Road, Chatham Road, Salisbury Road and back to Nathan Road.

The following started besides the four already mentioned:

A. Allerton (Cumberland), L/Cpl. Andrews (S.W.B.), G. P. Bassett (R.A.F.), A. B. Cundick (Scrapie), Pte. Cooper (S.W.B.), F. D. Davies (Scrapie), L/Cpl. Davies (S.W.B.), Pte. Durbin (S.W.B.), Pte. Edwards (S.W.B.), Pte. Guard (S.W.B.), Marine Head (Suffolk), Sgt. Hyde (S.W.B.), Pte. Jones (S.W.B.), Pte. Lalonde (S.W.B.), Pte. Pentecost (S.W.B.), Pte. Phillips (S.W.B.), A. B. Ryder (Cumberland), Pte. Rolan (S.W.B.), A. B. Young (Cumberland), Gnr. Corfield (12th Heavy Battery, R.A.), Cnr. Court (12th Heavy Battery, R.A.), H. Owen Davies (C.S.O. Office) and MacLean (Argyll).

The officials were as follows—Starter, Mr. J. P. Robinson; Judges, Capt. R. D. Thomas, Lieut. Stockley, Mr. C. H. Manners and Lieut. Gallie; Time Keepers, Messrs. J. H. Hunt, J. W. Baldwin, R. Baldwin and G.H.P. White; Medical Attendant, Dr. K. H. Uttley.

The first prize was presented by Mr. R. M. Dyor, the second by Mr. E. Abraham and the third by Mr. C. H. Manners.

Prizes Distributed.

After the race, the gathering adjourned to the Church Hall where Mrs. E. A. Long, wife of Col. Lang, distributed the prizes to the winners. She was called upon to do so by the Rev. W. Walton Rogers, who said that the first race was run in 1921, and with the exception of 1922, one was held every year. The entries this year compared favourably with those of last year, but still he hoped to find a bigger entry. They had reached the hundred mark on one occasion, and he hoped they would do so again.

The course this year was a little longer than last year's, and it therefore was very difficult to compare the times. He remarked on the good race,

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LOCAL YACHTING.

RESULTS OF NINTH LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP RACE.

The ninth 'Ladies' Championship race in connection with the R. H. K. Yacht Club was sailed yesterday, the course being—Chunnel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Mark on line (S), Cust Rock mark boat (P): a distance of 5.5 miles.

The results were as follow:

Yacht	Position	Time	Helms
Diana	1	5	Mrs. E.M. Bingham
Colleen	2	5	Mrs. M. Larsen
La Linda	3	7	Mrs. J.C. Mackie
Dorothy	4	9	Mrs. D.H. Lambert
Wings	5	10	Mrs. G. E. Flood
Bluejacket	6	11	Mrs. G. D. Adams
Novium	7	11	Mrs. G. Pickering
Speedwell	DNF.		(Fouled mark buoy).

HOCKEY.

CLUB'S TEAM v. THE S.W.B.
ON WEDNESDAY.

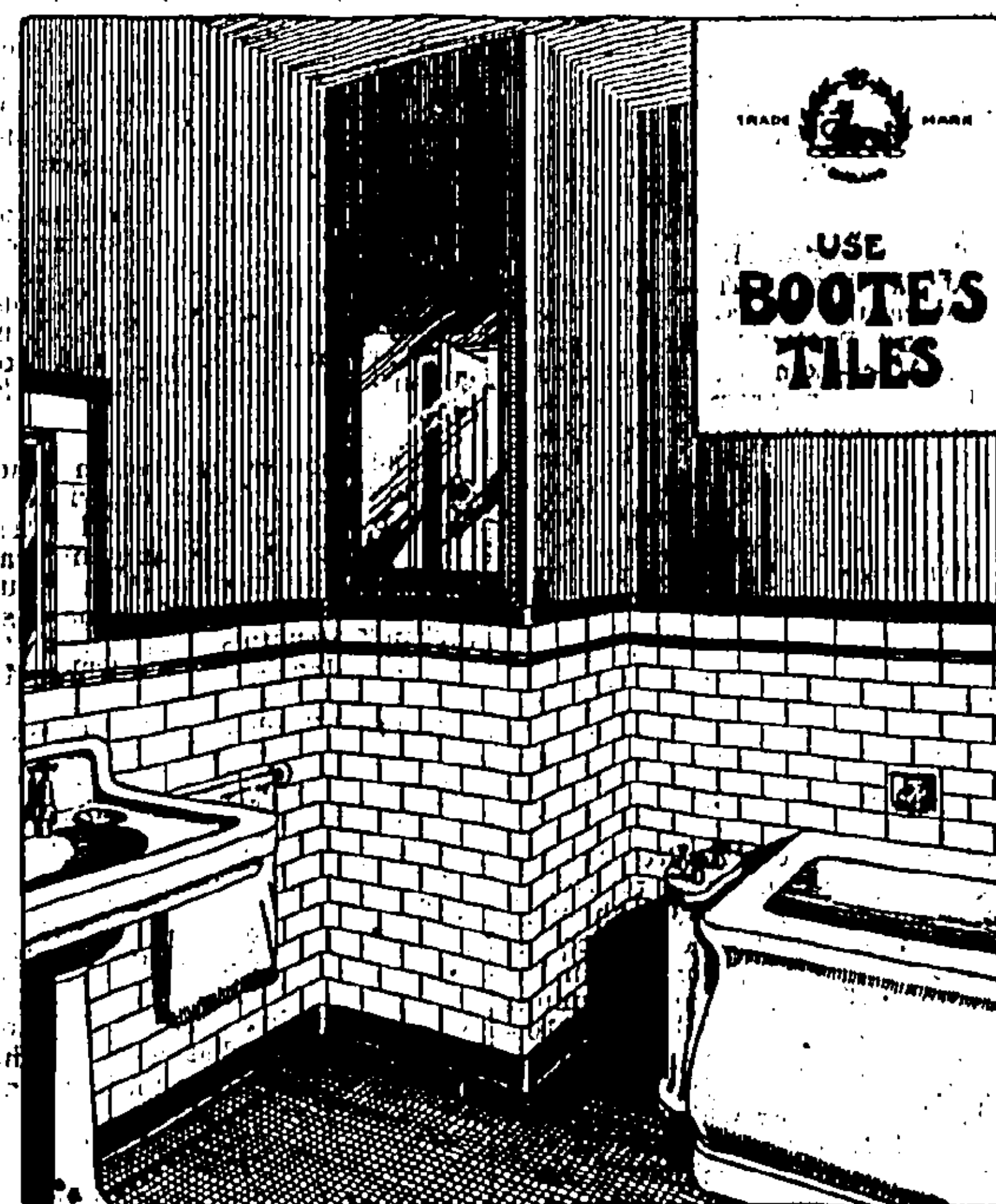
The following have been selected to represent the Club on Wednesday, March 11 at 5.15 p.m. v. South Wales Borderers on Marina ground: Duncan, J. Rodger, A. Botelho, G. R. More, A. Dand, J. Noronha, H. O. Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, G. W. Skipp, C. Francis and G. P. Lammert.

LOCAL CRICKET.

The following have been selected to represent the Club to-morrow at 5.15 p.m. v. S. W. B. on Marina Ground:—Duncan, J. Rodger, A. Botelho, G. R. More, A. Dand, J. Noronha, H. O. Hughes, G. E. R. Divett, G. W. Skipp, C. Francis and G. P. Lammert.

saying that only one man dropped out, out of twenty-seven, which was very creditable indeed.

Mr. J. H. Hunt also spoke after the prizes had been given away, informing the gathering that Mr. R. H. Wong, who had put in a great deal of hard work in connection with the race, was in hospital, and was therefore unable to attend, but the speaker said he knew that Mr. Wong would have liked him to say that he was thankful for the support given him by members of the St. Andrew's Club. Mrs. Lang was then presented with a bouquet of flowers.



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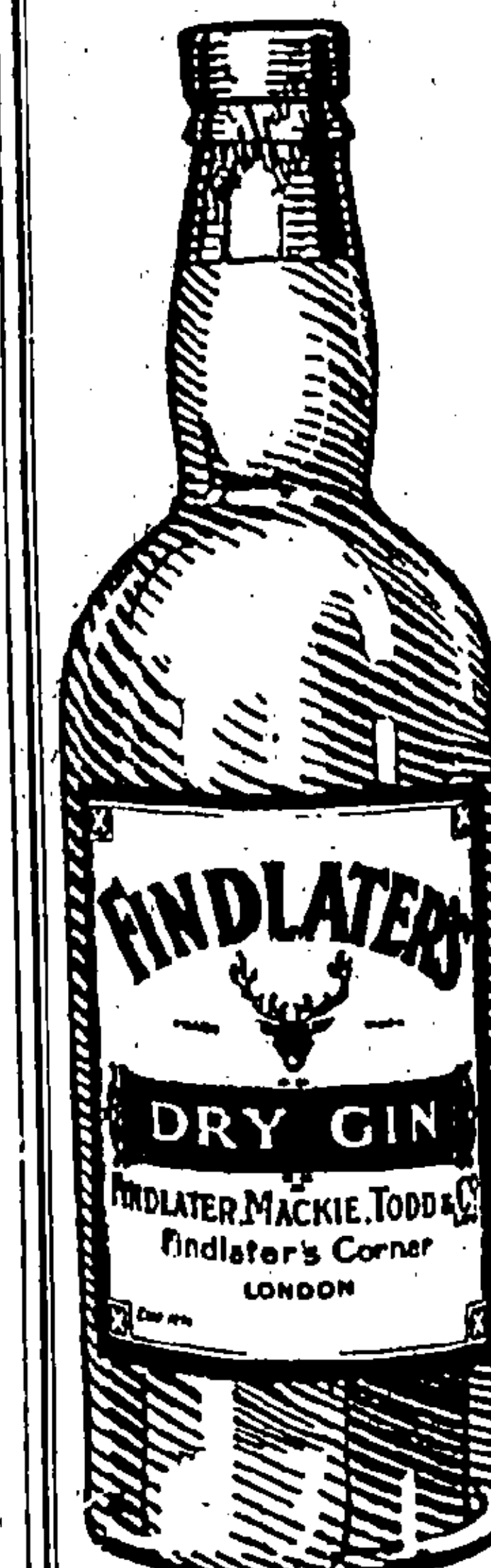
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Chicago, Mar. 8.
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Thousands of motor cars are
buried in snowdrifts. The farmers
and cotton planters, however, are
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entirely confusion. Rescue ser-



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Master Christopher Robin. Buckingham Palace-The Three Foxes. Politeness-Market Square.

The Christening-Brownie-Lines and Squares-Vespers. George Baker (Baritone). 2222.

5.20-5.56 p.m. Variety. Orchestral-Selections from "Good News."

Victor Arden-Phil Ohman and their Orchestra. 35018.

Humorous Song-Thoughts Of You. Gracie Fields. 3176.

Song-A Room With A View. Noel Coward (Baritone). 2719.

Dialogue-An Old Flame. John Henry and Gladys Horridge. 3278.

Organ Solo-The King's Horse. Reginald Forth. 3552.

Song-High and Low (From Here Comes The Bride). Sylvia Cecil (Soprano). 3389.

Humorous Song-It's Unpleasant Now. Humorous Song-It's Unpleasant Now. 22151.

Chorus-Little Cotton Dolly. The Revelers. 22249.

5.56-6.10 p.m. Instrumental Trios. Mirage (Contes).

I Zingari (Leonavallo). Londonderry Air (Arr. Coleman).

Le Cere (Violin) David Bor (Piano). De Groot (Violin) David Bor (Piano).

H. M. Calve (Cello). 3028 & 2043. 6.10-6.36 p.m. Operatic.

Martha-Selections (Flower). Tannhauser March (Wagner).

The Regimental Band of H. M. Cockstream Guards. 1453 & 1743.

Romeo and Juliette-Prologue (Gounod). Sampson and Delila-Dance That

Heralds The Day (Saint-Saens). Metropolitan Opera chorus. 4152.

Aida-Introduction and Mourful Balled (Verdi).

Creators' Band. 1339. 6.36-7.25 p.m. A Concert.

7.00 p.m. Stock Quotations. Pianoforte Solo-The Wind In The

Plain (Debussy). Pianoforte Solo-Minorals (Debussy).

Ignace Jan Paderewski. 1499. Song-Orpheus With His Lute

(Sullivan). Song-The Ween (Benedict).

Maxie Bennett (Soprano). 2762. Song-I Pish My Lolly Caravan

(Contes). Song-Where My Caravan Has Rested (Lohr).

Walter Glynn (Tenor). 3412. Violin Solo-Hondine (Kreisler).

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Porey Henning (Baritone). 2763. Organ Solo-In A Japanese Garden

(Higgin). Reginald Forth. 3197. Pianoforte Solo-The Prophet Bird

(Schumann). Pianoforte Solo-By The Brookside

(Stojowski). Ignace Jan Paderewski. 1426.

Song-Trees (Rachinski). John Brownlee (Baritone). 412.

7.25-8.00 p.m. Orchestral. The Three Cornered Hat Suite

(De Falla). New Light Symphony Orch. 2721-2722.

Walden Memories (Arr. Fink). De Groot and His Orch. 3084.

Passion Rose (Lohr). Midnight Bells (Herberger).

Victory Novelty Orchestra. 22280. To A Wild Rose (MacDowell-Stock).

To A Water Lily (MacDowell-Stock).

A CHINA AIRWAYS PLANE MISHAP.

MACHINE TAKEN IN TOW BY BRITISH WARSHIP.

Shanghai, Mar. 9. Saturday's air mail plane from Hankow to Nanking is reported to have crashed at Kukiang. It is stated that the two pilots were injured, but details are lacking.

The China Airways report on the Kukiang crash states that the plane was damaged while taking off, the damage making it impossible for her to continue the flight. She was taken in tow by H.M.S. Mantle, and was later hoisted on to the steamer Whangpoo and taken to Shanghai. Neither pilot was hurt, and the mail, which was undamaged, was transferred to the Whangpoo. The plane was not carrying any passengers.—*Reuter*.

JAPAN AND LOANS TO CHINA.

NO CANCELLATION TALK WILL BE CONSIDERED.

Tokyo, Mar. 9. Japan will never consent to China's demand for cancellation of her unsecured loans to China, asserted Baron Shidehara, replying to an urgent interpellation in the Upper House. The question arose as the result of a press despatch reporting that the Chinese Debt Funding Commission had passed a resolution in favour of Nanking demanding the cancellation of half Japan's unsecured loans.—*Reuter*.

MAURITIUS GALES.

DISTRICT RESEMBLES WAR-DEVASTATED VILLAGES.

Port Louis, Mar. 9. Eleven people are reported to have been killed by the cyclones, while appalling damage has been done to property. For example, the lower part of the Moka district resembles the shelled villages of France during the late war. The damage to the sugar crop is very heavy, though at present it cannot be estimated. The Government is taking effective measures to restore communications and to succour 10,000 people who had been rendered homeless.—*Reuter*.

Time, etc. 11.30 p.m. Close Down.

February Radio.

According to the monthly report of the Hongkong Broadcasting Studio, the actual hours of transmission in February aggregated 210, of which 140½ were devoted to European programmes, and 99½ to Chinese, a percentage of 58.54 to 41.46 respectively.

On Chinese New Year Day, February 17, the Chinese transmission period was extended by three hours.

During the month the following items were broadcast:—Running commentaries, 3; dance programmes, 6; European studio concerts, 3; European relays, 9; Chinese studio concerts, 6; Chinese relays, 3; European lectures, 1; Chinese lectures, 3; European children's programmes, 4; Chinese children's programmes, 4.

New licences issued during February numbered 48.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

LEVELS OF RESERVOIRS CONTINUE TO FALL.

There were 44.45 million gallons more of water in the Colony's reservoirs on March 1, than there were on the same day of the corresponding month last year, according to the figures supplied by the Water Authority.

Of the total storage, 1,038.79 m.g. were in the Island reservoirs and 332.72 m.g. in those of Kowloon, as compared with 921.15 in the Island reservoirs and 394.90 in Kowloon on March 1 last year.

The following table gives the storage in millions and decimals of gallons in the various reservoirs on the Island:

1930 1931

Tydam 279.30 205.31

Tydam Byewash 2.03 49.47

Tydam Intermediate 53.14 75.68

Tydam Taku 553.75 754.58

Wongneicheong 6.69 0.93

Pokfulam 27.24 22.50

Total 921.15 1,038.79

The Island consumption for the month of February was 201.34 m.g., the estimated population being 450,620, giving a consumption per head per day of 15.9 gallons.

In February of last year the figures were: consumption 184.19 m.g., estimated population 440,300 and consumption per head per day 14.9 gallons.

Kowloon.

In Kowloon the storage figures were:

1930 1931

Kowloon Reservoir 289.78 232.00

Shek Lai Pui 78.72 94.50

Reception Reservoir 28.40 6.22

Total 396.90 332.72

The consumption for February was 117.64 m.g., by an estimated population of 179,140, giving a consumption per head per day of 23.4 gallons. In February last year the consumption was 100.25 gallons, the estimated population being 174,100, and the consumption per head per day 20.06 gallons.

All the Colony's reservoirs are now far below overflow, Tydam being 24 feet 11 inches below, Tydam Byewash 28 ft. 2 in., Tydam Intermediate 36 ft. 3 in., Tydam Taku 32 ft., Wongneicheong 24 ft. 6 in., and Pokfulam 21 ft.

The Kowloon Reservoir is 14 ft. below the Shek Lai Pui 5 ft. 7 in., and the Reception Reservoir 11 ft. 8 in.

The rainfall for February is given as 37 inch as compared with 3.66 inches a year ago.

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LADY'S LOST VALUABLES RECOVERED BY POLICE.

Upon the arrival yesterday evening of the s.s. Tai Yuan from Shanghai and Amoy, a European lady, a Mrs. Jackson, reported to the Water Police that jewellery amounting to \$5,500 in value had been missing since Saturday, when the vessel called at Amoy. The valuables consisted of a platinum wrist watch, a pearl necklace, and a platinum ring worth \$900. The Water Police made a systematic search of all suspected passengers, and it is reported, discovered the jewellery in the possession of a Chinese passenger, who has since been placed under detention. The man is likely to be charged this morning.

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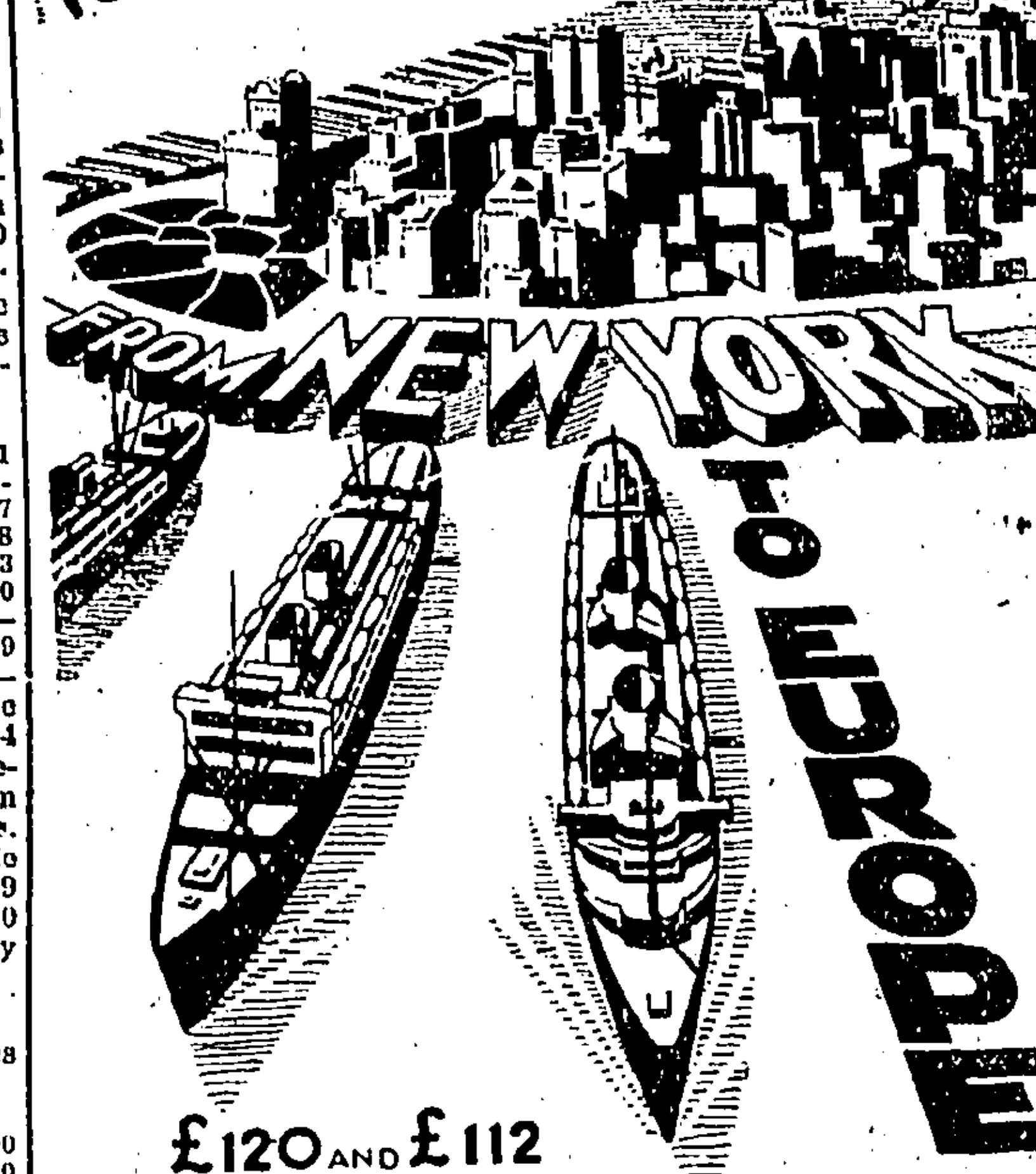
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Kowloon, at their expense, where the
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Steamer will commence discharge on
the 7th March, 1931.

General cargo will be discharged
into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon,
where it will lie at Consignees' risk
and subject to the terms and condi-
tions of storage at Holt's Wharf.
The Cargo will be ready for delivery
from the Godown on and after 7th
March, 1931.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
goods are to be left in the Godown,
where they will be examined on any
Tuesdays and Fridays between the
hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within
the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the steamer's
Godown, and all General Cargo
remaining undelivered after the 13th
March, 1931, will be subject to rent.
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must be presented to the undersigned
on or before the 27th March, 1931,
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No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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delivery may be obtained.
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the Goods have left the Godowns, and
all Goods remaining undelivered after
the 12th March 1931, will be subject
to rent.

All claims against the steamer
must be presented to the Undersigned
on or before the 26th March 1931,
or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on the
11th March 1931, at 10 a.m. by
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No Fire Insurance has been effected.
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SOVIET YEAR
REVIEWED.

FRANCE AND POLAND
PILORIED.

Moscow, Mar. 9.
A "cardinal change" in Russia's
position during the past two years
is claimed by M. Molotov in his
report at the All-Union Congress
of Soviets. He declared that the
"enormous successes" of recon-
struction in industry showed that
the success of Socialism in Russia
was assured. He asserted that
the danger of war had grown as a
result of four years' activity by
the Disarmament Commission.

In the course of a review of
foreign relations, M. Molotov
noted that exports to Britain had
increased in the past year by fifty
per cent. to £16,000,000.

Relations with Japan.
Relations with Japan were de-
veloping normally. Economic rela-
tions had recently made a great
stride.

On the contrary, M. Molotov
said he was now satisfied with the
relations with France and
Poland, and declared that the
French attitude towards the Soviet
threatens peace.

There has been a growth of
anti-Soviet tendencies in the
United States, and representatives
of the Vatican have been persist-
ently working for intervention
against the Soviets.

Position in China.
As regards China, while he
hoped the Sino-Soviet conference
would terminate successfully, they
were carefully watching attempts
to break the peace of the Far East.
—*Reuter*.

New U.S. Attitude?
Washington, Mar. 9.
Mr. Stimson is giving his per-
sonal attention to recent demands
for a modification of the United
States' Russian policy, and an-
nounces that a definite policy will
be formulated after close study of
the situation.—*Reuter's American
Service*.

DUTCH RUBBER DUTY.

MAXWELL SCHEME
CRITICISED IN LONDON.

London, Mar. 9.
A message from Amsterdam states
that the British-Dutch rubber nego-
tiations, during which it is stated
that the Maxwell scheme of putting
an export duty on Dutch East India
native production when the price
exceeds six pence was discussed, has
been adjourned for a fortnight.

The scheme is criticised here as it
is contended that the native growers
can produce at least as much as now
at four pence and the plan allows
them unlimited production.—*Reuter*.

CHEMICAL BURNS.

AERIAL EXPERIMENTS ARE
CAUSE OF INJURY.

Tokyo, Mar. 9.
Several hundred people suffered
painful burns yesterday while
watching an aerial pageant on the
outskirts of Tokyo. Military planes
were demonstrating the methods of
laying smokescreens by spraying
some kind of chemical, some of
which descended on the crowds be-
low, burning their hands, faces
and clothes.—*Reuter*.

BRITISH BUDGET.

£800,000,000 NEEDED FOR
ALL PURPOSES.

London, Mar. 9.
Whoever presents the Budget
some time early in April (and it
is not yet certain whether Mr.
Snowden will be sufficiently well
to do so) will probably have to
provide for an expenditure of over
£800,000,000.

Ordinary expenditures of the
Navy, Army, Air, Civil votes and
Revenue Department require
£439,000,000, being an increase of
£21,000,000 over last year. The
big increase is almost entirely
accounted for by the Civil votes
(including unemployment allow-
ances) as the service votes show
a net decrease of £454,000.

The deficit at the close of the
current year, March 31, is not now
likely to be as large as expected
a few weeks ago. At the present
time it stands in the neighbour-
hood of £85,000,000 which is less
than last year.

In the event of Mr. Snowden
being unable to present the
Budget, Mr. William Graham,
President of the Board of Trade,
will probably be entrusted with
the duty.—*Reuter*.

THE NAVAL PACT.

JAPAN CONSIDERING HER
ATTITUDE.

Tokyo, Mar. 9.
It is authoritatively learned that
the details of the Franco-Italian
naval agreement will be published
simultaneously in the Capitals of
the Five Powers on the 11th inst.

The publication was originally
intended earlier but, owing to
Japan's request for time to con-
sider its attitude thereto, the
original date has been postponed.
The naval authorities met yester-
day to decide what attitude should
be adopted, and Japan's reply will
be given by the 11th inst.

The vernacular papers report
that the navy agree to the figures,
except those concerning submarine
tonnage, which will be accepted only
with reservations regarding the
escalator clause, but it is authori-
tatively intimated that the final de-
cision has not yet been made, and
possibly the agreement will be ac-
cepted unreservedly.—*Reuter*.

"NEW ENGLAND."

CAMPAIGN FOR SEPARATE
STATE PROCEEDING.

Sydney, Mar. 9.
The boundaries of the proposed
New England State to be formed in
the north-eastern portion of
New South Wales will comprise
130,000 square miles. Invitations
have been sent to 95 local govern-
ment bodies to attend a convention
on April 7 in order to draft a
constitution.—*Reuter*.

[As a sequel to Premier Lang's
loan repudiation policy, Mr. Earl
Page, supported by the Country
Party in the districts concerned,
proposes the secession of the
Riverina district and the establish-
ment of an independent province,
to be called "New England,"
bounded on the north by the
Queensland border, on the west
the Darling River, and on the
south by the Hunter River.]

HAMAGUCHI RETURNS
TO DUTY.

VICTIM OF ATTEMPTED
MURDER RECOVERS.

Tokyo, Mar. 9.
Mr. Hamaguchi is proceeding to
the Palace this afternoon to report
to the Throne his complete recovery
from the attack made on his life
on November 14 last. After the
audience he will take over the
Premiership from Baron Shidehara
and will face the Diet to-morrow
for the first time in four months.

There is some fear that he will
not be able to stand the strain of
office, due to his weakened con-
stitution, and it is rumoured that
he may resign at the end of the pre-
sent session on the 26th inst. If he
resigns possibly General Ugaki or
Relljro Wakatsuki will succeed to
the Premiership.—*Reuter*.

[Mr. Hamaguchi was shot by a
man named Tomoo Sagaya, a mem-
ber of a reactionary organisation,
the Aikokusha (Patriotic Associa-
tion). The attempted assassina-
tion occurred on the platform of
the Tokyo railway station as the
Premier was about to entrain for
Osaka to attend the annual
manoeuvres. Mr. Hamaguchi is
the leader of the Minseitō (Pro-
gressive) Party and assumed the
Premiership on the collapse of the
Tanaka Ministry in July 1929. He
is a parliamentarian of long stand-
ing and was Minister of Finance in
the Shidehara Government].

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W. Munton, H. Pooley, H. F. Un,
Rev. W. Walton Rogers, Lt.-Col. E.
D. Matthews and Capt. T. T. Lau-
renson.

The meeting terminated with an
expression of hearty and sincere
thanks to the retiring President. It
was voted by Mr. Mow Fung, who
mentioned that the Rev. Mr. John-
ston had twice been their Presi-
dent, and had rendered much valua-
ble service. They regretted his
leaving them, but he carried away
with him the best wishes of the
K.R.A. for his future success,
health and prosperity, wherever he
might be.

TWO PLUCKY AIRMEN.

PARIS-TOKYO FLIGHT UNDER
DIFFICULTIES.

Aleppo, Mar. 9.
The airmen Burtin and Moench,
who are flying to Tokyo, were
severely buffeted while crossing
the Gulf of Alexandretta, and
were forced down and damaged
their propeller, which, however,
they repaired, and they have re-
sumed their journey to Basra.—*Reuter*.

[Moench and Burtin took off
from Le Bourget aerodrome for
Athens on March 2. They intend
to fly day and night with the ob-
ject of breaking the record for a
flight from Paris to Tokyo, which
is their ultimate destination. They
are touching at Shanghai in the
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Empress of Russia	July 3	July 6	July 8	July 11	July 20
Empress of Japan	July 10	July 13	July 16	July 18	July 25
Empress of Asia	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 5	Aug. 8	Aug. 17
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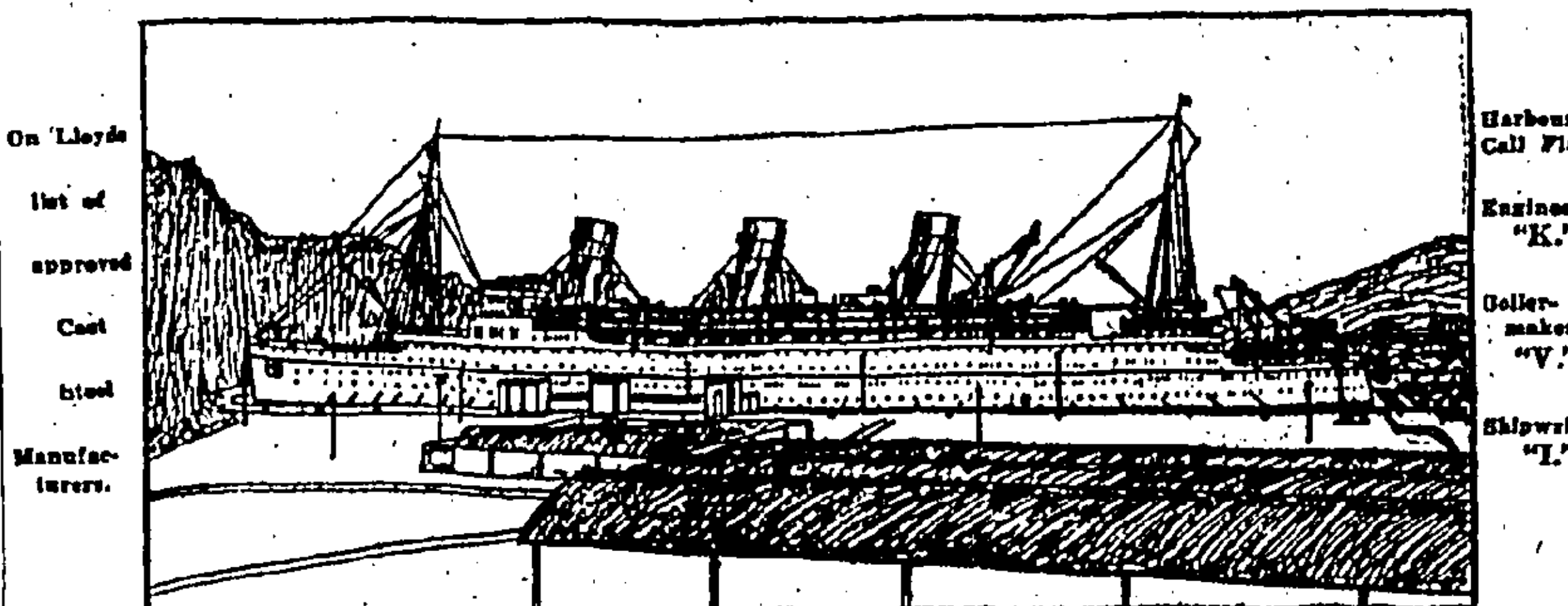
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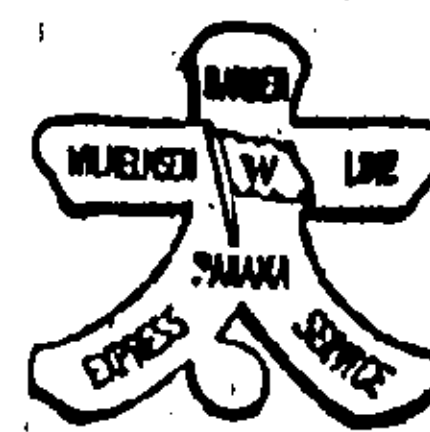


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RAWALPINDI	16,615	28th Mar.	Marseilles & London
MIRZAPUR	6,715	1st Apr.	Straits, Colombo & B'bay
KARMA	9,128	11th Apr.	M'les, L'don, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp
RAJPUTANA	16,586	25th Apr.	Marseilles & London
SOUNDAN	—	2nd May.	M'les, L'don, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,144	9th May.	M'les, L'don, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp

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SOUNDAN	—	19th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kof & Yok
TALMA	10,000	24th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
RAJPUTANA	16,586	27th Mar.	S'hai, Kobe & Yok
NELLORE	6,853	6th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yok
TAKADA	6,949	10th Apr.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
KALYAN	9,144	10th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok
SIRDHANA	7,745	22nd Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
COMORIN	15,132	24th Apr.	S'hai, Kobe & Yok
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MURDERS TO REMOVE DISHONOUR.

EGYPTIAN PEASANTS KILLED BY THEIR FAMILIES.

Cairo, Feb. 4. It has been a custom among the Egyptian peasants for centuries that where a daughter loses her virtue, the family avenge their dishonour by killing her.

Only recently the headless body of a girl was found in a trunk here. Her brother subsequently confessed that he had killed her to remove dishonour, which she had brought upon her family. He took

her head to his village and exhibited it there, to prove that vengeance had been done.

Another tragic story comes today from a village near Helouan. A boy and girl, each aged 16, living in adjoining villages, fell in love. After meeting each other for some time, they married recently and settled in the boy's village.

Suspensions later grew in the wife's family that she had had relations with her husband before her marriage.

At midnight yesterday the family surrounded the house and avenged their honour by shooting the couple dead with rifles.

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DECLARATIONS OF WAR BY U.S.

RESPONSIBILITY TO REST WITH THE PEOPLE.

A NAVAL SUGGESTION.

Washington, Mar. 9. A somewhat remarkable amendment to the American Constitution has been recommended to the War Policies Commission by Rear-Admiral McGowan, who was U.S. Paymaster-General during the war.

Rear-Admiral McGowan urges a stipulation in the Constitution preventing the United States from going to war, except in the case of a hostile attack, until after a referendum of the whole country has been taken.

He also suggests that should war break out, every able-bodied man between the ages of eighteen and thirty-five should be immediately enlisted, while steps should be taken to prohibit the increasing of commodity prices during war.

Such measures, thinks the Rear-Admiral, would conduce to peace. He says: "Our best contribution to the peace of the world ought to consist in making it very difficult for us to become involved in war."

—Reuter's American Service.

MURDER GANG EVADES POLICE SEARCH.

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by reason of his serious injuries, being held up by three Indians.

The bullets had perforated the intestines, and death occurred an hour after he had been rushed to hospital in an ambulance brought without delay from the Fire Station.

In a hip pocket, he was carrying a pair of hand-cuffs, and also, it is said a revolver, which he was, of course, unable to employ.

Heavy Calibre Weapon.

Two cartridge shells, belonging to an automatic of heavy calibre, were picked up on the spot. These were the only clues. Of the weapon there was no sign.

The affair is reminiscent of a similar Communist outrage not very long back, when Tse On, a detective belonging to the local Criminal Investigation Department, also engaged in anti-Red activities, was shot down and killed in cold blood at a Yaumati restaurant.

BAVARIAN STEEL LOCK-OUT.

EMPLOYERS DISSATISFIED WITH ARBITRATOR.

Berlin, Mar. 9. Forty thousand people employed in the Bavarian steel industry have been locked out by their employers, who are dissatisfied with an arbitration award allowing only a five to six per cent. cut in wages, instead of the requested fifteen per cent.—Reuter.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

DUNDEE SCORE TWICE IN ST. MIRREN MATCH.

London, Mar. 9. In a Scottish League match at Dundee to-day, Dundee defeated St. Mirren by two goals to nil.—Reuter.

BRITISH SUBJECT FACES SHANGHAI CHARGE.

THEFT OF VERY VALUABLE PIPING.

BIG FIRMS' LOSSES.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Mar. 10.

A somewhat unusual case was heard in the British Court before the Registrar, Mr. Haines, yesterday, when Henry Cruz, who is said to be a British subject, was charged with aiding and abetting the theft of galvanised iron pipe, valued at Tls. 17,643 from Messrs. Elm and Company, the well-known Shanghai sanitary engineers, and Messrs. Brunner, Mond and Co. (China) Ltd.

The charges related to an alleged theft by a man named Walter Kohler, a German, who is now being tried for the theft by the Special District Court.

The case for the prosecution in the Cruz case is that Kohler stole the pipes, and sold it through the agency of Cruz, who knew of their origin.

Messrs. Elm and Company were defrauded of Tls. 15,042 between September, 1930, and February, 1931, while Brunner Mond's lost Tls. 2,600 on February 7.

The proceedings were adjourned until March 16, bail being granted to accused.

BRITAIN ACCEPTS ARBITRATION ACT.

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effect of the General Act would be to withdraw from the League Council questions with which it was specially competent to deal and to encourage frivolous claims, encourage disputes and create trouble.

Limitations Ignored.

He said that the General Act, to which the amendment declined adherence, ignored the limitations which practical experience had placed on compulsory arbitration. It would lack elasticity and the experience of the League Council could not be brought to bear.

Sir Herbert Samuel, on behalf of the Liberals, opposed the amendment. He claimed that British accession to the General Act would encourage other countries to follow suit, and would thus enable the world to face its problems with a new hope.

Accession Agreed.

The Conservative amendment was defeated by 231 votes to 139, and the House agreed to the accession to the General Act.—Reuter and British Wireless.

PRINCES' ARGENTINE VISIT.

GETTING READY FOR THE BIG FUNCTION.

London, Mar. 9. The Prince of Wales and Prince George returned this morning to Mar-del-Plata, the famous seaside resort, where they remain until Friday, when the Prince of Wales goes to Buenos Aires again in readiness for the opening of the British Trade Exhibition on Saturday.—British Wireless.

COURT REPROVES CONSTABLE.

REMOVED EVIDENCE TO GET CONVICTION.

LIQUOR LABEL CASE.

The action of a Chinese constable in obliterating evidence which would have benefited a defendant, was severely criticised by Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning, when it was stated that the constable had wiped off traces of paper from two bottles of whisky and a bottle of champagne on which it was alleged that duty had not been paid.

The constable had arrested a house servant, in the employ of Mr. A. A. R. Botelho, at the Star Ferry Wharf yesterday, with two bottles of whisky and one bottle of champagne in his possession, the constable alleging that the duty had not been paid.

Inspector Shaftain, who prosecuted the defendant this morning, asked permission to withdraw the case. He said that the police had made enquiries and found the liquor belonged to Mr. A. R. Botelho, who was present in Court. Mr. Botelho had been at the Races last week and had ordered a quantity of liquor from Messrs. H. Ruttonjee & Son. The labels were eventually taken off, and, after the races, the three bottles in Court had been taken back to Messrs. Ruttonjee & Son, who however, refused to accept them, as the labels had been removed.

Traces of the labels on the neck of the bottles had been deliberately removed by the Chinese constable who had effected the arrest, before they were taken into Court. His conduct would be the subject of departmental treatment.

His Worship pointed out to the constable that it was not his duty to convict a man whom he had arrested; it was only for him to state the facts of the arrest.

The defendant was discharged.

SKOPLIE'S OMINOUS SILENCE.

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Japanese Quake.

Tokyo, Mar. 9. Minor damage was suffered at Hakodate, but there were no casualties, when an earthquake shook the city about 12.50 to-day. Several houses were slightly damaged. The shock was felt quite appreciably in Tokyo.

The quake was felt over a wide area in northern and central Japan. The seismograph needle at the Hakodate seismological observatory was thrown out of gear by the violence of the shock.

It may be noted that a total of 11,972 quakes, inclusive of a large number imperceptible to the human body, was registered throughout Japan last year, about four and a half times as many as in a normal year.—Reuter.

Minor Damage.

Tokyo, Mar. 10.

The damage in yesterday's quake does not appear to have been more serious than that caused by an ordinary winter gale in England.

In addition to that mentioned a number of houses in the cities of Morioka and Huchinohe were slightly damaged. A good deal of crockery was probably smashed.

The vernacular papers estimated the total loss at not more than \$4,000. There were no casualties.—Reuter.

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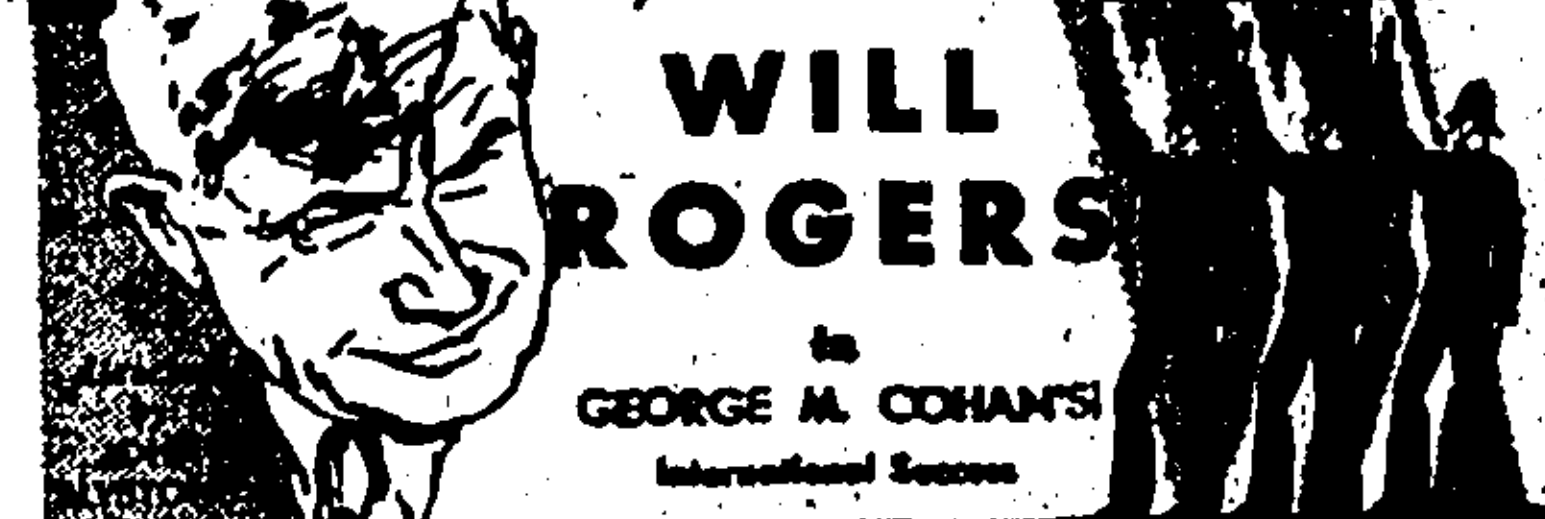
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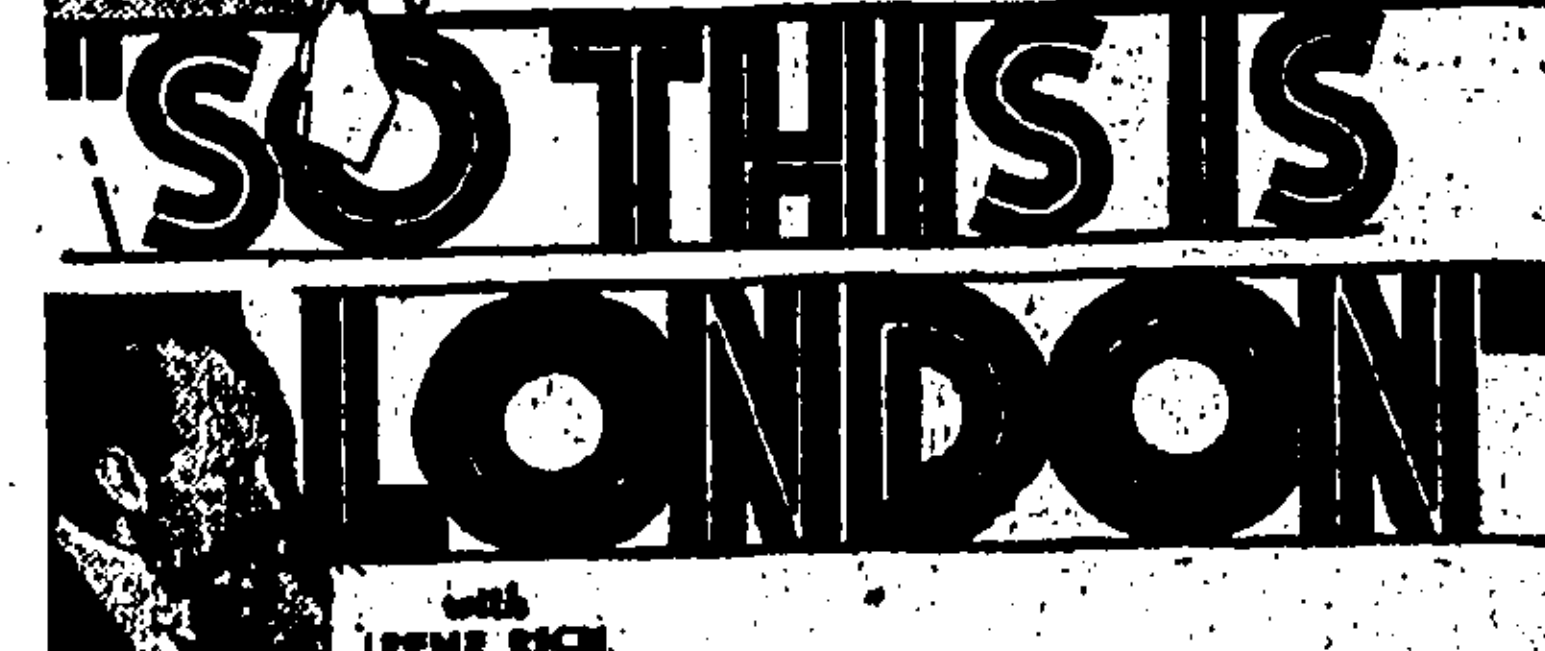
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